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1. CHRONOLOGY, MEMBERSHIP, ETC.

Mission and Conference Sessions.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE.

Year	Day.		Place.	Bishop.	Secretary.
1872	Aug.	2	Salt Lake City, Utah	Foster	J.M. Jameson.
1873	July	31	Salt Lake City, Utah	Peck	D. G. Strong.
1874	Aug.	13	Salt Lake City, Utah	Bowman	D. G. Strong.
1875	Aug.	12	Salt Lake City, Utah	Haven	D. G. Strong.
1876	July	27	Helena, Mont.	Harris	F. A. Riggin.

MONTANA MISSION.

1877	Aug.	2	Bozeman	Bowman	L. W. B. Long.
1878	Aug.	2	Virginia City	Andrews	Hugh Duncan.
1879	July	3	Butte	Merrill	W. C. Shippen.
1880	July	23	Virginia City	Wiley	George Comfort.
1881	July	21	Helena	Wiley	George Comfort.
1882	Juy	21	Bozeman	Hurst	George Comfort.
1883	Aug.	15	Butte	Wiley	George Comfort.
1884	Sept.	25	Helena	Fowler	George Comfort
1885	Juy	9	Dillon	Walden	George Comfort,
1886	Juy	8	Bozeman	Harris	W. A. Shannon.
					W. A. Shannon.

MONTANA CONFERENCE.

1887	Aug.	17	Butte	Foster	W. A. Shannon.
1888	July	12	Missoula	Joyce	George Comfort.
1889	July	4	Helena	Goodsell	George C. Stull.
1890	July	24	Livingston	Vincent	George C. Stull.
1891	July	30	Great Falls	Bowman	George C. Stull.
1892	Aug.	4	Anaconda	Walden	George C. Stull.
1893	Aug.	10	Bozeman	Fowler	George C. Stull.
1894	Aug.	9	Butte, Mt. View.	Joyce	Philip Lowry.
1895	Aug.	22	Helena, St. Paul's	Ninde	Philip Lowry.
1896	Aug.	13	Dillon	Warren	Philip Lowry.
1897	Aug.	13	Butte, Trinity	Cranston	George D. King.
1898	Aug.	11	Anaconda	Mallalieu	George D. King.
1899	Aug.	9	Livingston	Joyce	George D. King.
1900	Aug.	8	Helena, St. Paul's	Fowler	George D. King.
1901	Aug.	7	Missoula	Fowler	George D. King.
1902	Aug.	7	Bozeman	Merrill	L. H. Mickel.
1903	Aug.	13	Livingston	McCabe	L. H. Mickel.
1904	Aug.	24	Butte, Grace	Berry	L. H. Mickel.
1905	Aug.	16	Dillon	Moore	L. H. Mickel.
1906	Aug.	16	Billings	Cranston	L. H. Mickel.
1907	Aug.	21	Anaconda	Moore	George D. King.
1908	Aug.	20	Miles City	McDowell	George D. King.
1909	Aug.	25	Butte, Mt. View.	Spellmeyer	C. E. Miller.
1910	Aug.	24	Helena, St. Paul's	McIntyre	George D. King.
1911	Aug.	21	Billings	Nuelsen	Edward L. Mills.
1912	Aug.	21	Missoula	Luccock	Paul M. Adams.
1913	Aug.	20	Bozeman	Luccock.	Paul M. Adams.

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2.—Adams, C. P. ..... Sumatra.
3.—Barker, Thos. H. ..... Laurel.
4.—Bartlett, E. C. ..... Stevensville.
5.—Beard, N. S. ..... Sidney.
6.—Bliss, Wm. B. ..... Glendive.
7.—Bovard, Chas. L. ..... Helena, 43 Denver Block.
8.—Calvert, W. H. ..... Park City.
9.—Chirgwin, John ..... Helena, 47 Denver Block.
10.—Cooper, H. M. ..... Red Water.
11.—Crouch, Chas. D. ..... Missoula.
12.—Cunningham, C. E. ..... Livingston.
13.—Dodds, F. E. ..... Thompson Falls.
14.—Edgington, Robert C. ..... Helena, 12 South Ewing.
15.—Faith, F. M. ..... Lemmon, S. Dakota.
16.—Fenton, C. E. ..... Forsythe.
17.—Fulford, Fred C. ..... Hampton, Hunterdon County N. J.
18.—Hamilton, A. W. ..... Dillon.
19.—Hardie, Thos. ..... Helena, Oakes Street.
20.—Hardy, David ..... Bridger.
21.—Hurst, C. N. ..... Meaderville.
22.—James, H. A. ..... Livingston.
23.—Kingsley, I W. ..... Casper, Wyoming.
24.—Lacklen, Jesse ..... Bozeman.
25.—Linger, F. O. ..... Park City.
26.—Martin, T. H. ..... Miles City.
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28.—Meeke, John A. ..... Butte, 715 East Second.
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30.—Mills, Jacob ..... Helena, 1220 Eighth Av.
31.—Mills, Edward Laird ..... Helena, 509 Breckenridge.
32.—Oliver, S. A. ..... McAllister.
33.—Putnam, L. R. ..... Evanston, Ill.
34.—Papa, Jos. M. A. ..... Meaderville.
53.—Plummer, A. E. Bloomfield .... Bloomfield
36.—Rhodes, Chas. ..... Walkerville.
37.—Ross, John G. ..... Ronan.
38.—Smith, Edward ..... Billings.
39.—Spencer, Frederick ..... Hamilton.
40.—Stull, Geo. C. ..... Fort D. A. Russel, Wyo.
41.—Swisher, E. D. ..... McAllister.
42.—Tait, Jas. W. ..... Anaconda.
43.—Taylor, Jas. ..... Evanston, Ill.
44.—Taylor, Samuel ..... Evanston, Ill.
45.—Westren, R. T. ..... Drummond.
46.—Whitford, Fred ..... Red Lodge.
47.—Whiteley, John M. ..... Huntley.
48.—Wolfe, Geo. D. ..... Butte, 315 North Montana.

SUPERNUMERY—

1.—Anderson, J. S. (3) ..... Bickleton, Wash.
2.—Badcon, J. A. (2) ..... Seattle, Wash., R. F. D. 2.
3.—*Bennett, J. W. (1) ..... Missoula.
4.—F. O. Kelley (1) ..... Forsythe .
5.—King, Geo. D. (5) ..... Whitehall.
6.—Leland, T. S. (1) ..... Glendive.
7.—Nutting, Wilder (5) ..... Laurel.
8.—Snider, W. E. (2) ..... Stevensville.
9.—Scott, I. I. (1) ..... Superior.

*Deceased.

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1.—Hosking, John .....19 Trescoe Road, Long Rock, Cornwall, England.
2.—Kershaw, Andrew .....Oakesdale, Wash.
3.—Morrison, A. P. .....Los Angeles.
4.—Snider, S. E. .....McKeesport, Pa.
5.—Ware, I. S. .....Norris.

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Dowler, Theodore A. .....Florence.
First Year:
Edworthy, B. V. .....Plains.
Hoover, Albert C. .....Helena, 725 N. Warren Street.
May, Clarence B. .....Missoula.
Wolfe, Charles F. .....Sheridan.
Smith, Rollin .....Helena, 202 Blake St.

THE HONORED DEAD.

Entered Montana.

Name—	Conf.	Died.	*Place of Burial.
1.—Bennett, J. W.	1887	1913	Missoula.
2.—Berk, Alexis	1896	1896	Unknown.
3.—Canfield, Wm.	1891	1892	Virginia City.
4.—Clampitt, H. P.	1887	1888	Butte.
5.—Comfort, George	1887	1908	Lanesboro, Pa.
6.—Duncan, Hugh	1887	1887	Sheridan.
7.—Garvin, Thomas	1893	1901	Loyalton, Cal.
8.—Hall, Marion J.	1887	1905	Los Angeles, Cal.
9.—Hall, William	1887	1898	Pine Creek.
10.—Jenkins, G. W.	1888	1901	Philipsburg.
11.—Lowry, Philip	1888	1896	Anaconda.
12.—Mickel, L. H.	1892	1910	Bozeman.
13.—Miller, C. E.	1897	1909	Billings.
14.—Raleigh, A. D.	1887	1908	Helena.
15.—Rodger, Allan	1891	1904	Great Falls.
16.—Taft, H. S.	1889	1899	Columbia Falls.
17.—Van Scoy, Thomas	1898	1901	Helena.
18.—Warman, Henry	1892	1903	Glendive.

*In case of misinformation, corrections will be welcomed by the Secretary.

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Assistants—Fred Whitford, F. O. Kelley.

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(Par. 429).

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II. Each Candidate will notify the Chairman when ready to pass on any book.

III. The persons conducting an examination will send the Candidate's answers to their respective Examiners, and the questions back to the Chairman.

IV. Each Examiner will send three (typewritten if possible) copies of questions to Chairman, retaining one copy for himself, and after examining the papers submitted by Candidate will forward grades to the Registrar.

V. It shall be the duty of the undergraduates desiring to present credit for any subject pursued in school, or Conference, to confer with the examiner before Conference, stating the subject for which he desires credit and to present satisfactory evidence of his standing in the same before the Board of Examiners at its annual meeting at the seat of Conference.

VI. **Local Preachers** will apply directly to **Jesse Lacklen, Bozeman,** for information and questions on that course.

VII. After the opening session of Conference no Candidate will hereafter be admitted to examination.

VIII. Examiners will keep account of postage expenses and submit same to Board at annual meeting.

IX. Read carefully what the Discipline says, relating to Conference Examinations. (Appendix, Chapter VIII.)

X. Write all sermons, essays and answers to questions neatly with ink on one side of the paper. Mail all sermons to **J. W. Tait, Anaconda,** and essays to **Paul M. Adams, Butte.**

XI. Examinations must be taken before a member of the Examining Board, or some person suggested by the District Superintendent. Candidates appointed to remote charges are requested, as far as possible, to arrange to take their examination during the visits of the Superintendent.

XII. The Secretary of the Conference is instructed to pay bills incurred by the Chairman and Registrar for the typewriting and postage necessary in the preparation and transmission of Examination questions.

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Butte, Mt. Bethel and Silver Bow Park.....Chas. Rhodes 2)
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Butte, Trinity.....Paul M. Adams (2)
Butte, Unity and Wesley.....C. N. Hurst (1)
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Carlton Circuit.....(T. A. Dowler) (1)
Clancy and Jefferson.....To be supplied by Thomas Clarkson (1)
Dillon.....A. W. Hamilton (1)
Drummond and Hall.....R. T. Westren (1)
Hamilton.....F. T. Spencer (4)
Helena, Oakes Street.....Thomas Hardie (1)
Helena, St. Paul's.....R. C. Edgington (1)
Helmville and Ovando.....C. E. Cunningham (1)
Lima and Armstead.....To be supplied by L. H. Jenkins (1)
Marysville.....To be supplied by Thomas Clarkson (1)
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Missoula.....Charles D. Crouch (1)
Philipsburg Circuit.....(C. B. May) (1)
Plains and Camas.....(B. V. Edworthy) (2)
Ronan Circuit.....John G. Ross (2)
Sheridan and Ruby.....(Chas. F. Wolfe) (1)
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Stevensville.....E. C. Bartlett (1)
Superior.....To be supplied by I. I. Scott (1)
Thompson Falls and Noxon .....F. E. Dodds (1)
Three Forks and Logan.....C. S. McClure (2)
Townsend, Radersburg, Duck Creek.To be supplied by R. M. Craven (1)
Twin Bridges and Centerville.....John W. Starr (1)
Winston and Beaver Creek.....(Rollin Smith) (3)
Whitehall Circuit.....To be supplied

Yellowstone District—Superintendent, Edward Smith (2), Billings.

Baker Circuit	To be supplied	
Big Timber Circuit	To be supplied	
Billings	George Mecklenburg	(1)
Birney Circuit	To be supplied by Fred Benbrook	(1)
Bloomfield Circuit	A. E. Plummer	(2)
Bozeman	Jesse Lacklen	(1)
Bridger and Fromberg	David Hardy	(2)
Clyde Park Circuit	To be supplied by W. C. Smith	(1)
Comanche Circuit	F. O. Linger	(5)
Fishtail Circuit	To be supplied by A. T. Peck	(2)
Forsyth	C. E. Fenton	(2)
Glendive	W. B. Bliss	(2)
Huntley Circuit	J. M. Whitely	(2)
Laurel	T. H. Barker	(1)
Livingston	H. A. James	(2)
Lower Yellowstone	N. S. Beard	(2)
Miles City	T. H. Martin	(1)
Park City	W. H. Calvert	(6)
Pine Creek	C. E. Cunningham	
Red Lodge	Fred Whitford	(1)
Red Lodge Circuit	Fred Whitford	(1)
Red Water Circuit	H. M. Cooper	(3)
Sidney	N. S. Beard	(2)
Sioux Pass	To be supplied by Samuel Langdell	(1)
Sumatra	C. P. Adams	(1)
Wibaux Circuit	To be supplied	

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Jacob Mills, Conference Evangelist, member of Oakes Street, Helena Quarterly Conference.

Geo. C. Stull, Chaplain U. S. Army, P. O. Ft. Russell, Wyoming. Member of Billings Quarterly Conference.

C. L. Bovard, President Montana Wesleyan University. Member St Paul's, Helena Quarterly Conference.

(Albert C. Hoover), Vice-President Montana Wesleyan University. Member of St. Paul's, Helena Quarterly Conference.

John Chirgwin, Field Secretary Montana Deaconess School. Oakes Street, Helena Quarterly Conference.

F. M. Faith, Missionary in the Black Hills Mission.

I. W. Kingsley, Missionary in Wyoming Mission.

Samuel Taylor, James Taylor, Fred C. Fulford and Leslie R. Putman left without appointment to attend school.

(Figures in parentheses indicate number of years or parts of years in present pastorate and include 1913-1914. Names in parenthesis are undergraduates.)

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS, 1913-14.

BUTTE DISTRICT.

Butte, Silver Bow Park	$400
Butte, Italian Mission	500
Carlton Circuit	100
Clancy and Jefferson	100
Helena, Oakes Street	300
Lima and Armstead	50
Marysville	100
Meadow Creek	100
Philipsburg Circuit	100
Plains and Camas	300
Ronan Circuit	300
St. Ignatius and Leon	300
Superior	50
Thompson Falls and Noxon	300
Three Forks and Logan	400
Townsend, Radersburg and Duck Creek	100
Twin Bridges and Centerville	300
Whitehall Circuit	100
	$3,900

YELLOWSTONE DISTRICT.

The District	$300
Baker Circuit	200
Big Timber Circuit	200
Birney Circuit	150
Bloomfield Circuit	150
Clyde Park Circuit	200
Comanche Circuit	150
Fishtail Circuit	150
Forsyth and Howard Circuit	100
Huntley Circuit	300
Laurel Circuit	300
Lower Yellowstone Circuit	50
Park City Circuit	100
Pine Creek Circuit	100
Red Lodge Circuit	150
Red Water Circuit	200
Sioux Pass	100
Sumatra Circuit	100
Wibaux Circuit	200
Disposal of District Superintendent	100
	$3,300

I concur.

NAPHTALI LUCCOCK.

CIRCUITS WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE MONTANA CONFERENCE.

BUTTE DISTRICT—

Circuit	Points	Total Population
Carlton	4	850
Clancy	2	600
Leon	2	700
Meadow Creek	5	1500
Plains and Camas	5	2900
Twin Bridges	2	750
Whitehall	3	600
Townsend	2	1500
Ronan	3	900
Sheridan	4	1100
Drummond	2	1000
Lima and Armstead	2	600
Superior	2	1200

YELLOWSTONE DISTRICT—

Bridger	4	1400
Park City	4	900
Red Lodge	3	5850
Forsyth	4	2975
Red Water	3	375
Huntley	5	750
Big Timber	3	930
Comanche	4	1300
Pine Creek	2	475
Baker	4	800
Laurel	3	1580
Bloomfield	5	420

II. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. Is this Annual Conference incorporated according to the Requirements of the Discipline?

It is.

2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conference?

Charles P. Adams, Illinois; Wm. B. Bliss, Nebraska; Norton S. Beard, Kansas; Theodore A. Dowler, St. Louis; Robert C. Edgington, N. E. Ohio; Albert W. Hamilton, Colorado; Charles S. McClure, Nebraska; George Mecklenburg, North Montana.

3. Who have been Readmitted?

Frank E. Dodds.

4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?

Joseph, M. A. Papa, an elder in the United Presbyterian Church.

5. Who have been Received on Trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year: Betuvia V. Edworthy, Albert C. Hoover, Clarence B. May, Rollin A. Smith, Charles F. Wolfe.

(b) In Studies of Third Year: None.

6. Who have been Continued on Trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year: None.

(b) In Studies of Second Year: Theodore A. Dowler.

(c) In Studies of Third Year: None.

(d) In Studies of Fourth Year: None.

7. Who have been Discontinued?

Ralph Blanning.

8. Who have been admitted into Full Membership?

(a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year: William B. Bliss.

(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously: Norton S. Beard, Daniel H. Fleet, Charles S. McClure, Jos. M. A. Papa, Archibald E. Plummer, John G. Ross, Ele D. Swisher.

9. What Members are in Studies of Third Year?

(a) Admitted into Full Membership this year: Wm. B. Bliss, Albert W. Hamilton, A. E. Plummer, John G. Ross.

(b) Admitted into Full Membership previously: Leslie R. Putnam, Harry M. Cooper.

10. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?

Charles S. McClure, Charles Rhodes, Isaac I. Scott.

11. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?

(a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year: Thomas Hardie.
(b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously: None.

12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?

(a) As Local Preachers: Thomas Clarkson.
(b) Under Missionary Rule: Betuvia V. Edworthy, Bert C. Hoover, Clarence B. May, Charles F. Wolfe, Rollin A. Smith.
(c) Under Seminary Rule: Wm. B. Bliss.

13. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?

(a) As Local Deacons: None.
Under Missionary Rule: Thomas Hardie.
(c) Under Seminary Rule: Jos. M. A. Papa.

14. Was the Character of each Preacher examined?

This was done in open conference.

15. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conference?

Daniel H. Fleet, West Wisconsin.

16. Who have Died?

None.

17. Who have been Located at their own Request?

John A. Roades.

18. Who have been Located?

None.

19. Who have Withdrawn?

Wm. Elliott.

20. Who have been permitted to Withdrawn under Charges or Complaints?

None.

21. Who have been Expelled?

None.

22. What other personal Notation should be made?

Ele D. Swisher was graduated from the course of study but not elected to elders orders.

23. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?

J. S. Anderson (2), J. A. Badcon (2), J. W. Bennett (1), Geo. D. King (4), Wilder Nutting (4), W. E. Snider (2), F. O. Kelley (1), T. S. Leland (1), I. I. Scott (1),

24. Who are the Retired Ministers?

John Hosking, Andrew Kershaw, A. P. Morrison, W. E. Snider, I. S. Ware.

25. Who are the Triers of Appeals?

Jacob Mills, C. L. Bovard, I. S. Ware, J. W. Tait, C. E. Cunningham.

26. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?

See report.

27. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?

None presented.

28. What is the Statistical Report?

See the Statistician's Report.

29. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report?

See the Conference Treasurer's Report.

30. What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Trasurer?

$10,574.

31. What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?

$2,135.

32. What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?

$2,444.

See Report of Conference Stewards.

33. What is the Five Per Cent of the amount raised for the Support of Conference Claimants, and paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional Relief?

$81.

34. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?

$1,800.

35. Where are the Preachers Stationed?

See List of Appointments.

36. Where shall the Next Conference be held?

This was left to a committee composed of the district superintendents and C. E. Fenton, which later chose Forsyth as the seat of conference.

III. Journal of the Session.

First Day, Wednesday, August 20, 1913.

Devotions—The devotions were led by Bert C. Hoover. After singing and prayer, the sacrament was administered by Bishop Luccock assisted by Drs. Robert Forbes, J. P. Marlatt, Solon C. Bronson, and the district superintendents.

Conference Session—Bishop Luccock called the conference to order. Paul M. Adams, secretary of the last session called the roll and the following answered to their names: P. M. Adams, T. H. Barker, E. C. Bartlett, C. L. Bovard, W. H. Calvert, Chas. D. Crouch, John Chirgwin, C. E. Cunningham, C. E. Fenton, Thos. Hardie, David Hardy, C. N. Hurst, H. A. James, F. O. Kelley, Jesse Lacklen, T. H. Martin, F. O. Linger, J. A. Meeke, Jacob Mills, Edward Laird Mills, S. A. Oliver, Edward Smith, Jas. W. Tait, I. S. Ware, Fred Whitford, John M. Whiteley, Geo. D. Wolfe, J. A. Badcon, Geo. D. King, J. A. Roades, W. E. Snider, Harry M. Cooper, Archbald E. Plummer, John G. Ross, E. D. Swisher, Daniel H. Fleet.

Organization—Paul M. Adams was elected secretary and named as his assistant Charles Rhodes, Thomas Hardie and E. C. Bartlett. John M. Whiteley was elected statistical secretary and chose as his assistants, David Hardy, John Chirgwin, E. D. Swisher, N. S. Beard, B. V. Edworthy and C. B. May. Jesse Lacklen was chosen treasurer, his assistant Fred Whitford. On motion of C. E. Fenton the first six rows of pews was fixed as the bar of the conference. T. H. Martin was named as reporter for the secular papers, C. L. Bovard for the Messenger and C. W. Tenney for the Pacific Christian Advocate. The following changes were made in the committees. In the Committee on Conference Relation, T. H. Barker for J. W. Bennett. J. A. Meeke replaced T. S. Leland and Jacob Mills, William Elliott in the Committee on Temperance and Civic Righteousness. Ralph Blanning was dropped from the Committee on the Ep-

worth League and C. L. Bovard, C. D. Crouch, J. M. Whiteley, C. N. Hurst and John G. Ross added.

Bert Hoover replaced L. R. Putnam in the committee to prepare resolutions.

Drafts—Dr. Robert Forbes presented a draft of $693.00 from the Book Concern and one of $30.00 from the Chartered Fund. These were turned over to the treasurer of the Board of Stewards.

Memorial Session—J. W. Tait took the chair and announced Hymn 334. At its conclusion H. A. James and Geo. D. Wolfe led in prayer. Two verses of hymn 463 were sung and Geo. D. King read the scripture. C. L. Bovard read the memoir of the life of Mrs. Sarah E. Jenkins and S. A. Oliver of Mrs. W. E. Snider (see memoirs). Hymn 628 was sung and the service was closed with prayer by the chairman.

Introductions—The following were presented to the conference: Dr. Robert Forbes, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension; Dr. Solon Bronson of Garrett Biblical Institute; Dr. J. P. Marlatt, representative of the Board of Home Missions from the 15th General Conference District; Dr. Daniel W. Howell, Corresponding Secretary of the General Deaconess Board; W. B. Bliss; Harry M. Cooper; C. S. McClure; B. V. Edworthy; C. N. Hurst; Jos. M. A. Papa; Mrs. Robert Forbes Rev. and Mrs. Thos. Clarkson.

Disciplinary Questions—Question 2 was taken up and the following were announced transferred into the conference: Charles P. Adams from the Illinois Conference; Norton S. Beard from the Kansas Conference; William B. Bliss from the Nebraska Conference.

Superintendents' Reports—The character of Edward Laird Mills, Superintendent of the Butte District and Edward Smith Superintendent of the Yellowstone District were passed and they read their reports. (See reports).

Resolution—The following resolution presented by H. A. James was unanimously passed: "Whereas the Rev. J. W. Bennett has failed to respond to the roll call for the first time in 29 years and whereas his absence at this time is due to serious illness induced by excessive labors incident to the building of that magnificent temple of worship in Missoula, which but for his masterful leadership would not in all prob-

ability exist today. Therefore be it resolved that this conference extend a vote of deep sympathy with Brother Bennett in his sickness and also express its sincere regret at the loss of his wise and able counsel during this conference session, and be it further resolved that our earnest prayers be offered for his speedy recovery and restoration to the work which needs him so much and to which he is so thoroughly consecrated. Resolved that the secretary be instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to Judge Patterson of Missoula, who will see that Bro. Bennett gets them in due course."

The secretary was instructed to send the greetings of the conference to Charles Rhodes who lies sick at Murray Hospital, Butte.

Addresses—Dr. Robert Forbes was called to the platform and addressed the conference on the work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. Dr. Daniel W. Howell also represented the work of the General Deaconess Board.

Miscellaneous—On motion of Geo. D. Wolfe, the hour of adjournment was fixed at 11:45 A. M. Dr. I. S. Ware moved that we hold statistical session at 2:00 P. M. and it was carried. The roll of the committees was called and the chairmen announced the place and time of meeting. After the announcements the conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Howell.

STATISTICAL SESSION.

The statistical session convened at 2 P. M. After the handing in of the reports the conference adjourned with the benediction by S. A. Oliver.

Second Day, Thursday, August 21, 1913.

Devotions were led by Bert C. Hoover. After singing, Jacob Mills led in prayer followed by others. The conference was called to order at 9 A. M., by Bishop Luccock. The secretary read the minutes and they were corrected and adopted.

Communications—The secretary read a letter of greeting from the Frances Hoyt-Mahon Memorial Hospital of Glasgow, Montana. Also a letter from the treasurer of the Episcopal fund. C. L. Bovard extended the greetings of W. W. Van Orsdel of the North Montana Conference and the secretary from J. A. Alford of the Montana Sunday School Association.

E. C. Bartlett presented the greetings of G. C. Stull. Chas. D. Crouch brought up the case of T. S. Leland and moved that he be granted the supernumerary relation and that the secretary be instructed to write him a letter expressing the sympathy of the conference. It was carried.

Introduction—Miss E. Augusta Ariss, Superintendent of the Montana Deaconess Hospital was introduced to the conference.

Passage of Character—It was moved by J. W. Tait that when the pastors report, they report simply whether collections were taken or not. This carried and the characters of the following effective elders on the Butte District were passed and they made their reports. J. W. Tait, J. A. Meeke, Geo. D. Wolfe, Paul M. Adams, R. T. Westren, Jesse Lacklen, F. T. Spencer, John Chirgwin, I. S. Ware, J. W. Bennet,* T. H. Barker, Chas. D. Crouch, Fred Whitford. The same action was taken in the cases of the following elders of the Yellowstone District: S. A. Oliver, E. C. Bartlett, David Hardy, F. O. Linger, C. E. Fenton, F. O. Kelley, J. M. Whiteley, C. N. Hurst, H. A. James, C. E. Cunningham, W. H. Calvert, T. H. Martin, T. S. Leland. The case of Charles P. Adams who failed to present himself at the seat of the conference was referred to the committee on conference relations.

The characters of the following who are on detached service were passed: Geo. C. Stull, Jacob Mills, Chas. L. Bovard, F. M. Faith, I. W. Kingsley, Samuel Taylor, James Taylor, Fred C. Fulford. On motion of C. L. Bovard, Chas Rhodes was excused from the obligation to pay the 8 per cent university apportionment for the current year.

Nominations—Jesse Lacklen announced that he had added F. O. Kelley to the treasurers staff. Edward Laird Mills announced that Rollin Smith and A. E. Plummer had been authorized to collect and tabulate the pastors summary reports.

Home Missions—Geo. D. Wolfe read the report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. Dr. J. P. Marlatt then addressed the conference.

The following resolution introduced by Jacob Mills was adopted:

Resolution—Whereas, complaint has been made to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of our Church

*Not present. Reports made by Dr. E. W. Himes, a layman.

by the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church charging us with unfraternal actions in crowding into new fields already occupied, and whereas the Methodist Episcopal Church is generally the first to occupy new fields on the frontier, and has been invariably courteous and fraternal toward all Evangelical Denominations in granting them the use of her Churches when not occupied by her own services and, whereas some of these fields have been sadly disappointing in the matter of growth and services have been kept up under difficulties, requiring Missionary funds in aid for a long time.

Among them we might mention, Twin Bridges, Elliston, Radersburg, Toston, Big Hole Basin. Notwithstanding these conditions the local officials of the Presbyterian Church, having but few, if any members, crowded in dividing the very meagre support, making it necessary for our church to either withdraw as was the case in some instances or continue to furnish larger missionary aid for many years to come and,

Whereas, these fields are small and comparatively unimportant, yet there is a principle involved which, in these days of much talk about fraternity requires notice and we challenge the citation of a single case where we have been the aggressor, therefore be it,

Resolved, that this Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in its annual session does protest against such actions as enumerated above as being discourteous and unfraternal, and be it further

Resolved that this conference furnish a copy of these resolutions to the Rev. Dr. Forbes, one of the Secretaries of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, with a request that he inform the Secretary of the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the facts herein set forth and to make inquiry of said Secretary whether the Board of Home Missions of said Presbyterian Church sustains the action of the local officials as above indicated, and to furnish the answer when received, to the Secretary of this conference for record.

In accordance with the desire of Doctor Marlatt the secretary was on motion of Edward Laird Mills instructed to print in the minutes a Circuit List containing the name of each preaching place on the circuit with population of the same, and the men were instructed to furnish the secretary with the necessary information.

On motion of Geo. D. Wolfe, a Home Mission Council was created and the same to consist of the District Superintendents, and the president of the Conference Board of Home Missions.

Foreign Missions—Dr. E. R. Fulkerson addressed the conference in the interest of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Temperance Society—Dr. Clarence True Wilson represented the work of the Temperance Society. A resolution introduced by John Chirgwin was ordered referred to the committee on Temperance and Civic Righteousness to be incorporated in their report.

University—The president of the University was instructed to furnish the secretary a list of those contributing to the Sustaining Fund, the same to be published in the minutes. It was moved by Edward Laird Mills that the basis of appropriation for conference claimants and the University be the last published ministerial salary. The motion prevailed.

Corporate Session—On motion of Jacob Mills the Conference went into corporate session.

The treasurer Jacob Mills read his report and it was adopted: J. W. Tait reported in regard to lots in Stuart. Jacob Mills was elected treasurer for the ensuing year. The trustees for the next year to be Jacob Mills, J. W. Bennett, E. H. Fisher, J. A. Doughty and S. A. Oliver. Edward Laird Mills moved that the board of Trustees take over the church at Victor, there being no local board of trustees.

The secretary was instructed to turn over $80.00 of the money in his care to the board of stewards.

The pastor at Dillon was instructed to inquire into the condition of our property at Bannack and Wisdom.

Adjournment—The announcements were made and the conference adjourned with the bendiction by Dr. Fulkrson.

Third Day, Friday, August 22.

The Devotions were led by Rev. W. G. Bennett of Marmarth, North Dakota. The conference was colled to order by the bishop and the minutes of the last session read and approved.

Disciplinary Questions—Question 8. Who have been admitted to full connection was taken up. John G. Ross, A. E. Plummer, W. B. Bliss were advanced from the studies of the second year and placed in the studies of the third year. After answering the disciplinary questions and on recommendation by the Com-

mittee on Conference Relation they were elected to full membership. In the case of Norton S. Beard the Bishop ruled that he was eligible to full membership and directed the Board of Examiners to place him in his proper class.

Question 2. Chas. S. McClure was transferred from the Nebraska Conference and placed in the studies of the fourth year.

Question 20. Wm. Elliott was allowed to withdraw. His parchments were returned to the Conference.

Question 7. Ralph Blanning was discontinued and his District Superintendent instructed to write for his parchments and to collect the balance ($46.12) owed by him to the Book Concern.

Question 10. Charles S. McClure, Charles Rhodes and Isaac I. Scott were continued in the studies of the fourth year.

Question 11. Thomas Hardie and Ele D. Swisher were graduated from the course of study.

Question 5. Rollin A. Smith, Charles Wolfe, Clarence B. May, Bert C. Hoover were admitted on trial and advanced to the studies of the first year. The bishop called them before the bar and they were introduced to the conference.

Question 4. Jos. M. A. Papa an elder in the United Presbyterian church was received on his credentials and recognized as a deacon.

Question 15. Daniel H. Fleet was advanced to the studies of the third year elected to full connection in the conference and transferred to the West Wisconsin Conference.

Question 1. Is the conference incorporated. Answer: It is.

Questions 3, 6, 16. Answer: None.

Question 17. John A. Roades was located at his own request. The case of F. O. Kelley was referred back to the Committee on Conference Relations for further action.

Question 13. Thomas Hardie was elected to Elders Orders.

I. S. Ware read the report of the Deaconess Board and it was adopted.

On motion of E. L. Mills, the report of the committee on the Epworth League was made the order of the day for 10 A. M., Saturday.

Introductions—C. W. Tenney, Assistant Editor of the Pacific Christian Advocate was introduced and presented the interests of that organ. Dr. Ezra Clemans of the Board of Conference Claimants represented his work. At the conclu-

sion of his address he presented a draft for $100 and it was turned over to the Board of Stewards.

Pro Rating—Geo. D. Wolfe presented resolutions signed by four of the pastors resident in Butte asking for the pro-rating of the railroad fare to and from conference and creating the office of railroad secretary. It was carried.

Miscellaneous—A letter from Jos. Barnes of the Montana Childrens' Home was ordered referred to the Committee on Temperance and Civic Righteousness.

A committee on Freedman's Aid, consisting of C. E. Fenton and Fred Whitford was created on motion of John Chirgwin.

The report of the Book Committee was handed to the bishop and at his suggestion extracts were read by the secretary.

Minutes—The secretary moved that the minutes be made the official journal of the conference, and that 800 copies be printed. It was carried and the roll was called for subscriptions to defray the cost of publication.

JOINT SESSION.

The joint session of the conference and the Laymen's Association was called to order at 5 P. M. In the absence of the bishop, Geo. D. King was called to the chair. Hymn 545 was sung. Chas. W. Tenney addressed the body in behalf of the laymen. E. H. Fisher president elect of the Laymen's Association was introduced and addressed the gathering. Bishop Luccock who had arrived was asked to respond in behalf of the conference. The announcements were made and the conference adjourned with prayer by the bishop.

Fourth Day, Saturday, August 23.

The Devotions were led by Dr. Solon Bronson, who commented on the duties of the ministry taking for his text 1 Tim., 4, 12, supplemented by 1 Tim., 6, 20.

Conference Session—At 9 A. M., Bishop Luccock called the conference to order. The minutes were read and approved. E. C. Bartlett presented the resolutions of the Committee on Education and they were adopted. The hour of 10:30 was made the order of the day for further consideration of the report.

Question 5. Betuvia V. Edworthy was admitted on trial and elected to deacons orders under the missionary rule.

Committees—Edward Laird Mills read the nominations for

the standing committees for the ensuing year and they were adopted. (See list of Committees). The committee on founding a home for incorrigible girls was continued on motion of Geo. D. King.

Question 12a—The name of Thomas Clarkson was presented by his Superintendent and upon recommendation by the committee on Conference Relations and the Board of Examiners he was elected to local deacons orders. The report of the committee on Temperance and Civic Rightousness was presented by W. E. Snider and it was referred back to the committee for further action.

Laymen's Association—It was moved by Edward Laird Mills that the secretary be instructed to print the minutes of the Laymen's Association in the conference minutes.

Admission to Conference—The class for full admission was called before the conference. The following answered to their names: Jos. M. A. Papa, Ele D. Swisher, John G. Ross, A. E. Plummer, W. B. Bliss, Norton S. Beard, Chas. S. McClure, Daniel H. Fleet. They answered the disciplinary questions the Bishop addressed the class and they were received into the conference.

Question 36—C. E. Fenton moved that a committee be appointed to arrange for the seat of the next conference. The district superintendents and C. E. Fenton were made the committee.

Order of the Day—It being 10 A. M., the Bishop called for the order of the day. John G. Ross presented the resolutions on the Epworth League and they were adopted. Geo. D. Wolfe represented the Anti-Saloon League.

Hospitals—Miss E. Augusta Ariss was introduced and spoke on the work of our hospitals in the state. Her address was followed by one given by Charles D. Crouch on the same subject.

Order of the Day—The hour of 10:30 having arrived, the Bishop called for the order of the day. Geo. D. Wolfe presented the plan for raising the endowment of the Montana Wesleyan University and it was adopted. President Chas. L. Bovard spoke briefly on the same subject. The bishop addressed the conference. Brief addresses were also made by the following laymen: Albert May, E. H. Fisher, J. E. Farnum, Dr. E. W. Himes

Church Finance—Rev. H. J. Coker was introduced and represented the work of the commission on Church Finance. Geo. D. Wolfe moved that we extend the time and it was done.

Announcements—The announcements were made, the doxology sung and the conference adjourned with the benediction by Jacob Mills.

Special Session Held at 3:30 P. M., Saturday—One verse of "Nearer My God to Thee" was sung. I. S. Ware and C. E. Fenton led in prayer for the recovery of J. W. Bennett. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved as corrected.

Conference Relations—The committee recommended that F. O. Kelley remain effective. Edward Laird Mills moved that he be granted the supernumerary relation and it was so ordered. Like action was taken in the case of I. I. Scott. The committee requested that F. .C Fulford, L. R. Putnam, Samuel Taylor, James Taylor be left without appointment to attend school, and that Jacob Mills be appointed Conference Evangelist. John Hosking, A. P. Morrison, Andrew Kershaw and S. E. Snider were continued on the retired list. I. S. Ware asked for the retired relation and it was granted him. Bishop Luccock and others of the brethren spoke highly of their appreciation of the fraternal and highly devoted Christian spirit of the retiring brother. J. S. Anderson, J. W. Bennett, J. A. Badcon, Geo. D. King, Wilder Nutting, W. E. Snider were placed on the supernumerary list. Frank E. Dodds was readmitted.

The statistical secretary made his report and it was adopted. C. L. Bovard called the attention of the conference to the 8 per cent collection for the University and he was given authority to notify the delinquents and collect the deficiency.

The treasurer's report was read and adopted.

Estimates—Edward Laird Mills read the askings and estimates to be presented to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. He also read the missionary appropriations for the coming year and both were adopted.

Reports of Committees—The report of the Hospital Committee was presented by C. E. Fenton and adopted after some discussion.

T. H. Barker reported for the committee on Church Finance and the Auditing Committee and both were adopted.

W. E. Snider presented the amended report of the Committee on Temperance and Civic Righteousness and it was adopted. The resolutions of Appreciation were presented by F. O. Kelley and adopted to be read at the close of the evening session on Sunday. The report of the Board of Stewards was read and adopted.

Deaconesses—Hulda Tornquist and Cordelia E. Osborne were recommended for consecration as Deaconesses.

Railroad Secretary—Bert C. Hoover was made railroad secretary.On motion of E. C. Bartlett it was recommended that the most important reports be read at some of the church services during the year. The minutes were read corrected and adopted and the session adjourned with the benediction by Chas. D. Crouch.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This is to certify that on August 24, 1913, at Bozeman, Montana I ordained as Deacons, Thomas Clarkson, Rollin A. Smith, Charles F. Wolfe, Clarence B. May, Bert C. Hoover, Betuvia B. Edworthy, Wm. B. Bliss and that at the same time and place I ordained as Elders, Thomas Hardie and Jos. M. A. Papa. I also consecrated as Deaconesses: Helen Piper, Hulda Tornquist and Cordelia E. Osborne.

NAPHTALI LUCCOCK,
Presiding Bishop.

Certificate—The foregoing is the official journal of the Montana Annual Conference at a session held August 20-24, 1913.

NAPHTALI LUCCOCK,
President.

PAUL M. ADAMS,
Secretary.

THE ORDER OF CALEB.

Jacob Mills. **J. W. Bennett.*** Job Little. W. W. Van Orsdel.
George D. King. **S. A. Olver.** R. M. Craven. George Logan.
J. W. Tait. E. A. Riggin.

*Deceased.

Names in bold face belong to the Montana Conference. All of the others belonged to it up to 1907, when the North Montana Conference was organized.

The Order of Caleb was instituted at the session of the North Montana Conference, held at Fort Benton in 1912. The name was suggested by Bishop Luccock. A handsome emblem is provided the members, and annual meetings are held at the seats of the Conferences. Methodist preachers who have served for twenty years in Montana are eligible to membership.

IV. Reports, Resolutions and Memoirs.

(a) From Superintendents.

BUTTE DISTRICT.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

In making this, my report, I desire to place on record first of all my thanks to Almighty God for the grace and strength necessary to meet the manifold and arduous tasks incident to the district superintendency. I also desire to express my appreciation of the generous assistance rendered by Jacob Mills, George D. King, Charles L. Bovard and C. W. Tenny. This helped me to furnish no less than 83 religious services during the year to points temporarily without pastors. The pastors who gave like aid are too numerous to mention. It is sufficient to say that they have shown themselves to be free from parochial narrowness, and ever ready to illustrate that connectionalism which is the glory of Methodism.

PERSONALIA.

The conference year began with twenty-seven preachers at work on the district. On account of the inadequacy of support, it was deemed inadvisable to place resident pastors at Lima and Thompson Falls. Pulpit supplies were furnished Lima for about a dozen services and Thompson Falls for a dozen and a half up to July first, when S. W. Clemes came from Evanston and assumed charge of the latter place for the summer. This point is increasing in importance, and must be cared for constantly from now on. As for Lima, it can be administered more easily by the Superintendent of the Pocatello district, Idaho Conference. If the Bishop consents, this arrangement will be made for the coming year.

William Elliott, pastor at Townsend, was released from his work at his own request January 1, 1913. His place was filled by D. H. Fleet of Three Forks, whose place in turn was taken by C. S. McClure of Evanston, Ill. Neither Townsend nor Three Forks lost a service by the change. The work at the latter place showed such expansion, however, that the pastor was soon forced to give it all of his time, instead of sharing it with Radersburg. Since February, Radersburg has been furnished pulpit supplies to the amount of its scheduled requirements, and a two weeks' revival conducted by J. J. Burris. May first, I. I. Scott was permitted to deadjust his services on the Philipsburg circuit, so that Philipsburg has been one Sunday a month short in service since that time. July first, Ralph Blanning was released from the work at Drummond and Ovando at his own request, and a week later L. R. Putnam of Clancy was given the same privilege. These points received nearly full service up until conference.

Through the kindly assistance of Dr. F. H. Wright, our Butte Italian Mission is going again. The new pastor, Rev. J. M. A. Papa, has commended himself already to his countrymen and to his brethern in the ministry as the man of the hour. He bears credentials from the United Presbyterian Church, which you will be requested to receive.

The health of the pastors and their families was very good during most of the year. Mrs. Thomas Hardie of Carlton was in bad health for some weeks during the winter. In July Charles Rhodes at Walkerville had a very severe attack of appendicitis. It seemed for a time that recovery was not possible, but fine surgical skill, habits of clean living and the blessing of Almighty God enabled him to pull through. This month J. W. Bennett of Missoula was stricken with nervous prostration. The result is in doubt at this writing. Both these brethren will be missing from our yearly gathering. There are no more faithful and efficient men on the district, and our christian good wishes should be sent to them. In January the home of Brother and Sister Swisher at Meadow Creek was brightened by the arrival of a daughter, and in August the families of Charles Rhodes and of the District Superintendent welcomed sons.

EVANGELISM.

More than fifty-five weeks of evangelistic meetings were held on the district during the year. The results were not commensurate with the efforts put forth. It is my conviction that our special meetings for the next year or two should be chiefly for the inculcation of a higher type of Christion experience among church members. It is reasonably certain that the regular Sunday evening services could then be made so evangelistic that results would be greater than under the present plan.

RESIDENTIAL EPISCOPACY.

The selection of Helena as an Episcopal residence, and the appointment of Bishop Luccock thereto, have more than met the large expectations of our people concerning it. In Helena, Butte and Anaconda, the bishop's vitalizing touch has been felt. Moreover, Montana occupies a notably larger place in the thought of the general church than ever before. The first annual council of this residential area brought to Helena in April all of the twenty district superintendents for two days' of consultation. Their meeting together under a rseponsible leader proved to be of exceeding value and the idea is being taken up throughout the denomination.

NOTEWORTHY MEETINGS.

Aside from the residential council, mention should be made of the educational banquet and rally at Mountain View church, Butte, in January. Bishop Luccock and Dr. Thomas Nicholson made the principal addresses. In March came the social service campaign of Dr. Harry F. Ward in Butte and Anaconda. In April Bishop Luccock was the chief figure in the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration at Grace church, Butte, and during the same month Dr. F. H. Wright gave a decided impetus to our Italian Mission by a number of English and Italian addresses in Butte. In May, Drs. Hartman and Meyer and Mrs.

M. S. Lamoreaux, representing the Board of Sunday Schools, gave addresses at Mountain View church, Butte, treating various phases of the modern Sunday School. In June, Dr. Trenery of the Sunday school board's department of Extension met the northwestern missionaries of the board in council at Helena. The same month came the state Epworth League convention at Kalispell. Ten Butte district chapters were represented by 50 delegates. The report of the second vice-president showed that one-half of all the contributions toward the state missionary policy last year came from this district.

MONEY MATTERS.

At the beginning of the year seven charges increased pastor's salaries to the amount of $1,120 a year. In the middle of the year another charge made an increase of the rate of $240 a year. It appears that there increased estimates will be met without trouble. There has been the customary amount of repairs made upon church property, Oakes Street, Helena, having the largest individual item to its credit. First church, Missoula, has paid $4,000 on principal and $900 on interest, making a total of $49,000 raised and paid to date on the church edifice there. This leaves the comparatively insignificant sum of $4,000, partially covered by subscriptions. Unity and Grace churches, Butte, have raised about $500 each on their church and parsonage debts, reducing them to easily manageable dimensions. Ronan has built a parsonage, and has a second church nearly ready for dedication. Three Forks is now building an $8,000 pressed brick church. In general, it may be said that financial affairs have been "easy" in the stock-raising and mining sections of the district, and "tight" in the agricultural and horticultural sections. For raising current expenses and benevolences, the duplex envelope is winning its way to wider acceptance. Where properly worked, it is an unqualified success.

INSTITUTIONAL PROGRESS.

In the long strategy of a thousand years by far the most important thing being done by Montana Methodism is the building of the new Montana Wesleyan University. It is also the most difficult, because the average man does not appreciate the importance of it. Substantial progress is being made, however. The walls of Helena Hall (contract price $51,000) are steadily rising, and about $8,000 has been subscribed to the endowment fund. The committee on education will present for your consideration a carefully matured plan for increasing the endowment during the coming year. Internally the school had a good year, with an attendance of 182 and a graduating class of twelve. In May, Vice-President Tenny, who has had charge of the internal management for the past two years, resigned to take the position of Rural School Inspector for the State of Montana. For next year President Bovard will have charge of both external and internal phases of the work.

The Montana Deaconess School closed its fourth successful year June 26, graduating a class of three. There was an enrollment of 67 during the year, the largest attendance at any one time being 53. The capacity of the building is 65, and at the usual rate of growth this will all be utilized during the coming year. The current expense budget for

the school year was $10,000, and current income equalled current expenditure. In addition about $4,000 was put into repairs on the building. These include a new roof and fire escapes. At the present time electric lights are being installed, and other needed improvements made. The debt stands about $10,000, and during the coming year an effort will be made to clear this entirely off. Miss Roxanna Beck has proved to be a distinct success as principal.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

In response to inquiries recently sent out, 23 pastors report a gain of 195 and loss of 93 in church membership. There have been 186 infant baptisms and 48 adult baptisms. These pastors have officiated at 196 weddings, 261 funerals. There have been 324 addresses given and 68 articles published in the secular press. Special meetings have been held to the amount of 65 weeks. Moral conditions are believed to be better in nine communities, worse in one community and show no appreciable change in seven communities. Improvements on church and parsonage property have been made to the extent of $4,157. In the localities reporting there are 77 churches of other denominations, protestant and catholic. Of these 23 have been pastorless during the past year to the amount of 77 months.

To Rev. W. S. Tester of the Lower Flathead Circuit has fallen the honor of organizing two new churches, one at Leon with 30 members, the other at St. Ignatius with 14. Some persons have given in their names as probationers to our Italian Missionary in Butte, but formal organization has not yet been perfected.

PERSONAL RECORD.

The Superintendent has traveled 22,000 miles during the year, written 750 letters (exclusive of circular letters), 375 postal cards, and 750 inches of matter for the press. He has preached 136 sermons to 7,100 people, given 27 addresses to 4,600 people and administered communion 22 times to 680 people. He has presided at 80 quarterly conferences and other business meetings. He represented the Board of Education at the Columbia River, Puget Sound and Oregon conferences last fall, and was a delegate, by appointment of the Board of Bishops, to the second quadrennial session of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, which was held in Chicago, December, 1912. These appointments, together with duties to the executive committee of the Montana Deaconess School, and to the building committee of Montana Wesleyan University, have prevented him from giving the usual amount of attention to the routine work of the district. It is not believed, however, that any interest has suffered. The splendid loyalty and generous co-operative spirit shown by the laymen of the district has had much to do with this good showing.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD LAIRD MILLS,

YELLOWSTONE DISTRICT.

Christian Brethren:

Brother E. C. Bartlet, host of this conference, and myself set out to arrange the program for this meeting with a firm resolution to make it "something different." Despite the good resolve it lapsed into about the usual routine. So with this report. Despite the desire to represent the interests of Yellowstone District briefly and pointedly an adequate representation will of necessity take on a somewhat sterotyped formality.

The field is extremely large in scope. It is being settled by homesteaders with unusual rapidity. The strength and resources of the church are taxed beyond any possible adequate response. On a cold materialistic basis of calculation there would be no heart in us for the work. Our pigmy efforts would seem in vain. Conscious Divine relationships save from despair, "If God be for us who can be against us." We have well established work of some years standing, along the main line of the Northern Pacific railroad or in Yellowstone valley. The new developments are to both north and south of the valley and require travel to all parts of the vast field, making the traveling feature of the work excessive. Urgent conditions in some quarters seemed to require the old accustomed four rounds. The entire district was in consequence covered four times.

The chief mission of the church has been kept in view. An evangelistic purpose and trend has characterised the year's work over all the field. The usual evangelistic special sermon, or revival, has been generally observed by the charges, with instances of very gratifying results. Our personal part in this work has been performed in nine campaigns, all on the out-borders of the field. In each meeting pressing engagements moved us on at just the time staying would have meant the most of the meeting.

A new feature introduced was the tent meetings at Carlyle, Baker and Wibaux. Brothers C. E. Fenton, pastor at Forsyth, and C. P. Adams of Wibeaux, produced a large tent and gave several weeks of this kind of work. It was a happy thought and has proven to be an effective method of reaching remote places without church building. We hope to see similar operations far extended in future times.

Our district deaconess, Miss Jones, has performed a very wonderfud work throughout the district. She deserves much more than "special mention." It is regretable indeed that she has overtaxed her physical powers and will take up work of a different nature in our conference.

Our confreence evangelist, Dr. Jacob Mills, performed the work of his office on the district with zeal and vigor. We are devoutly thankful for his all-around efficient work. He has not been disobedient to the heavenly vision.

An unprecedented thing in a district report to this conference is a record of the doings of our resident bishop, Naphtali Luccock. He visited the field four times during the year for official labors. In September to lay the corner stone of the fine new Miles City church. In December he spent three laborious days assisting our Glendive work,

following with a visit to Forsyth, Huntley, Laurel and Billings. In April he was the central figure at our District Conference at Red Lodge. In July Park City, Bozeman, Livingston and Pine Creek were favored by his presence. This part of this report is a wonderfully significant thing made possible by the present Episcopal supervision or residential plan.

The prolific race is in possession of our pastoral fields, as evidenced by births during the year in the following homes: H. M. Cooper and wife, a daughter; James Thompson and wife, a daughter; F. O. Linger and wife, a daughter; C. N. Hurst and wife, a son; Red Water circuit, Clyde Park circuit, Comanche circuit and Laurel. With plenty of space for expansion the little ones are flourishing and give promise of a great future.

A sad contrast with the happy mention of births is the recorded death of Sister Agnes Snider, the faithful wife of our Brother W. E. Snider, who in broken health sustains a supernumerary relation with our conference. After a dutiful life and a brave struggle through a long period of affliction she passed to her reward April 26. Suitable memoirs are in possession of the conference.

A significant and delightful event of the year was the residential council arranged by our resident bishop in April at Helena. A full account is recited in the Butte District Report.

A change will occur in the matter of District Conference sessions for the future. A meeting designated as a District Conference has been maintained for a period of years. In reality it has been but little more than a district ministerial gathering, distance preventing other members of the district conference from attending. A proposition to discontinue the district conference, conformable to discipline, has been before the quarterly conference, with a unanimous decision favoring district meetings free from the routine business of a district conference, which can be transacted in quarterly conference.

Substantial assistance has come to the timely relief of many of our men and families on the mission charges from the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This is not just a courteous mention but a sincere appreciation of this excellent work. It has relieved anxiety and gladdened the heart in many families of our frontier ministry. I join these beneficiaries in a hearty "Thank You" to this worthy organization.

An unsolved issue still confronts us in the matter of denominational inter-occupancy. We are often quite sure that the others are the aggressors. They are often quite sure that it is the other way. Much ado over the subject in recent time has seemed to change the actual situation but little. A way for better conditions must be and will be found. Our own people are so accustomed to the Methodist type of gospel work they sorely miss it in communities void of our work, and certainly plead for us to supply our own services. Our standards are believed in by outsiders and often asked for. These conditions are well calculated to move us to aggressiveness often misunderstood by other denominations.

New fields are being reached. Out of them will come some per-

manent work. Baker was given a two weeks' tent meeting. Negotiations are in process for lots at Fairview and Hysham. Columbus and Hardin, two new county seat towns, have been investigated by personal visit. There remains unoccupied by our work just about as many centers as points already occupied. This item is no gratifying report to make.

Debts are in our way seriously at Glendive. Our obligations there are nearly $14,000.00. Relief or disaster must soon ensue. Miles City is carrying about as much indebtedness on their splendid new church as is safe to do. They greatly need funds for finishing up the building for use. Livingston has come free from a long standing debt which annoyed our work not a little. Billings is heavily burdened with a street improvement tax approximating a thousand dollars annually. There is little hope of relief for five years more. Big Timber has an annoying debt of four hundred dollars with a very small constituency to help out. Huntley made a fine showing on indebtedness, $1,100 has been paid and they plan to meet the whole soon. Laurel has handled a portion of its heavy indebtedness now approximating $1,400.

Business and improvements make a goodly part of this report. Work on the Miles City church has continued during most of the year, as collected subscriptions would allow. This beautiful building is a great achievement and a fine acquisition to our goodly list of high grade edifice in the conference. Bridger has a fine parsonage well toward completion. Bloomfield has just obtained lots and moved a three-room house upon them which can soon be made habitable. Park City has added another lot to their fine site. At Luther, in the valley below Red Lodge, a church is completed. Great credit is due the community and to Rev. T. H. Martin of Red Lodge. Roberts, also near Red Lodge, is about to duplicate the Luther achievement. Edgar on the Park City circuit, has a goodly subscription and a church started. At Boyd, in Carbon county, a lot has been donated for a church with some money in the bank for building. Fish Tail has ample ground and a good subscription. The building should start this fall. Yonce, on the Fish Tail circuit, is getting up a log church which will serve the community in absence of even a school house. Howard, west of Forsyth, has ample subscription to begin building this fall. This phase of activity must greatly increase in the immediate future.

The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension is making possible our advance in a magnificent way. We express appreciation of this heartily, and openly hint that we have place for much more than the amount now available.

We have need of men of heroic consecration for missionary pioneering and of money to equip our work in the homesteading regions and in the older centers. We have very great need of a large, clear vision of our high calling in Christ Jesus. Temporal matters jostle us hard. Restlessness genders which is not at all conducive to best results.

Our two schools are amply treated in other reports. Yellowstone district is loyal and enthusiastic in spots. She must and will become so in total. Local financial needs just now more than fill our hands.

We are glad to have furnished some students for both institutions and have to furnish many more.

The Bozeman Deaconess hospital is a great credit to our work in every respect. It will long stand as a testimonial to the wise foresight and skillful management of my predecessor, Chas. D. Crouch. The institution is located in Bozeman, the seat of this conference. All will have ample opportunity of personal inspection which will be more satisfaction than any account in this report could be. Our financial rating as a district is already partly revealed in this report. It is such as to give little freedom to help on hospital needs at this time.

Our well begun hospital work is being called for in other centers. Sidney but recently was one of the remotest charges. It is now a thrifty town on two principal lines of railroad and is offering inducements for hospital which might well be investigated by some representative committee from this body.

Church papers are circulated more widely over the district than formerly. Subscriptions to the Pacific Christian Advocate, The Epworth Herald and The Messenger have substantially increased.

Some pastoral changes occurred during the year. Our last conference made no appointment for Pine Creek. Brother C. B. May took charge in October. A happy relationship for the balance of the year resulted. Brother T. S. Leland relinquished the work at Sidney in February, or at first of March. Brother Norton S. Beard of Boston University was secured and came in May to a happy relationship. During intervening months the work was ably conducted by our lay preachers of Sidney, W. D. Kemmis and P. F. Blake. Brother F. O. Keily relinquished the Glendive field in March and W. B. Bliss of Northwestern University was secured. Beginning in May he has continued in a very successful pastorate.

Summary by charges as follows: Baker was without aid pastorally much of the year. Brother F. O. Kelley made a trip from Glendive to the field in the fall. Brother C. P. Adams had the work in charge teh latter part of the year.

Big Timber has sad the faithful service of Thomas Clarkson. Big Timber, a county seat, is not responsive to our efforts. Reed Point on this circuit is an encouraging work.

Billings has had a year of that quiet, steady work which makes our ministry and our church a mighty factor in American affairs.

Birney circuit has been without pastoral supply during the year. The former pastor, A. E. Plummer, accompanied us to the field in April. Many calls were made. Sunday services held and two Sunday Schools organized which still survive with vigor.

Bloomfield, served by Brother A. E. Plummer has had an all-round prosperous year. More than this is had to say.

Bozeman, served by Brother E. C. Bartlett, is our hostess and the home of our Deaconess Hospital. She has had a good year.

Bridger and Fromberg, Brother David Hardy, pastor, has had a good year. They are building their preacher a home. They had a good revival

Clyde Park circuit, in charge of Brother James Thompson, has had

faithful, devoted work under severe hardships for the pastor. This charge has great future promise.

Comanche circuit has been carved out of the prairie wildness by the only pastor who has served it, Brother F. C. Linger. It is now on the way to future success.

Fish Tail circuit is just in the making. Brother A. T. Peck is architect and master builder. A great work is being done.

Forsyth in the hands of Brother C. F. Fenton has had a happy year of excellent work. The end is not yet for that region of the Yellowstone valley.

Glendive is in sore affliction with heavy debt. A courageous pastor and people are coping with the situation heroically. They greatly deserve and greatly need assistance. Brother W. B. Bliss has the situation well in hand, in the matter of filling our mission as a church in the city.

Huntley Circuit and and Brother J. M. Whitely have had a great year. Their debt will soon be paid. Huntley is a model of circuit work.

Laurel has not moved with the celerity that gladdens the heart. Brother C. N. Hurst, the pastor, has inaugurated some movements that should prove of great benefit. The debt here is quite a load.

Livingston, with Brother H. A. James in charge, has cleared their debt and maintained strong services. A different system for meeting current needs will make this a strong charge next year.

Lower Yellowstone Circuit has had some attention from Sidney. A good work will show up there.

Miles City, Brother C. E. Cunningham in charge, has had a strenuous year. The building process has tested resources. They are on safe and hopeful ground.

Park City, Brother W. H. Calvert in charge, has had a good year. The circuit is large and should be two separate works. The Joliet Point had a good revival and Edgar is in the church building business.

Pine Creek, in charge of Brother C. B. May, has had a splendid year.

Red Lodge, with Brother T. H. Martin in charge, has spread beyond her usual confines and developed a good church in the valley below This new work should soon be a new circuit.

Red Lodge, as formerly implied, is a field above Red Lodge. It has never developed as such. The name will now be applicable to the territory below Red Lodge. The Upper Red Lodge circuit had no pastor this year.

Red Water Circuit is our farthest flung line. Brother H. M. Cooper is in charge. Far to the east of him, near Dakota, is a budding work at Sioux Pass. being fostered by a local preacher, Samuel Langdell. A railroad is building through this territory. It is a very important field.

Sidney, now in charge of Brother Norton S. Beard, is closing the year well. The pastoral change with interval between was not conducive to best showing in statistics for the charge.

Wibaux, Brother C. P. Adams, pastor, is a part of a vast circuit

that should by all means be divided. More intensive work must be done before developments can be expected.

Th field as a whole will not take rank in final statistics as we could well wish. We doubt if a more distinctive frontier work can be found in all our west than Yellowstone District. Remember this while judging us. Our residence in Billings has been a great advantage though the commodious house in Bozeman has tempted us. I would be happy and so would you if this report could end with an enthusiastic narrative of victory along our whole line of action. We make no whimpering apologies for defeats. The shout of victory we would like to raise sobers down to a statement of facts well calculated to impress us with a sense of our enormous task. If we have any appreciation of unbounded opportunities let us devoutly thank the Father above for giving us a place in Montana. "We were allowed of God to be put in trust with the Gospel."—I Thess., 2:4.

Aims of the future should be more diligent and conscientous oversight of our children as a church. Our district is very deficient in Junior League work. A stronger emphasis must be placed on our Epworth League work for our young folks. Modern business skill and methods must more extensively obtain in local church affairs. With this strictly in vogue salaries could be substantially increased in places and more promptly met with the increase than is being done. Several charges are arousing to this and will advance salaries next year. A few charges having had missionary help for a period of years should now seriously consider self support.

For a degree of good health, the exceeding kindness of the brethren and for the matchless goodness of God I am thankful.

EDWARD SMITH.

(b) From Boards and Committees.

APPRECIATION.

Your Committee on Resolutions at this 27th Annual Session present for your approval as follows:

1 That we rejoice exceedingly at the return to the presidency of this conference of our own beloved Bishop, Naphtali Luccock. We cannot help but appreciate his personal visitation of the districts of this conference and trust that he may be returned to us again and again.

2. We feel it to be a happy circumstance to be invited to the delightful city of Bozeman. We appreciate the kindness of our many hosts and thank Brother E. C. Bartlett for his painstaking care of our comfort and happiness, and trust that the influence that we shall leave behind us will create a thirst in Bozeman for another invitation in the future.

3. That we thank the various boards of the Church for sending such able representatives to address us. We wish them God speed and say to them come again.

4 We feel that especial personal mention should be made regarding the visit of Professor Solon C. Bronson of Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill. Many of us have sat under him in class work and are all the better men for so doing. His inspiring uplifting addresses will linger with us as a pleasant memory.

We were highly favored in the presence of Dr. J. P. Marlatt, represetnative of the 15th General Conference District in the General Committee of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. His earnest effort to secure full information as to our field and its needs assures us of adequate presentation in this vital matter.

5 That we place on record our deepest appreciation of the services of our secretary, statistical secretary, treasurer and their assistants. These brethren have worked many hours behind the scene and deserve our appreciation.

6. That we appreciate the free use of the Baptist Church and rooms.

7. That we thank the Ladies' Aid and the Brotherhood for their kindness and forethought in caring for our social happiness.

8. That we place on record our appreciation of generous space and the impartial record of this conference in the Bozeman daily press. We are also indebted to the business men of this town for many kindly considerations. Among them being the telephone companies for the installation of free phones, the proprietor of the Post Office News Stand for the use of a typewriter and the Gallatin Lumber Co. for the use of an adding machine.

JOHN G. ROSS,
FRED O. KELLY,
A. C. HOOVER.

AUDITING.

We, your Auditing Committee, having examined the accounts of the district superintendents, the conference treasurer and the secretary of the conference, find the same to be correct.

THOMAS H. BARKER,
W. H. CALVERT,
W. E. SNIDER,

DEACONESS BOARD.

The Deaconess Board of the Montana Annual Conference submits to you the following annual report:

First. We heartily concur in the renewal of the licenses of the following persons as deaconesses in the Methodist Episcopal Church: Laura Jones, Roxanna Beck, Emily E. Walther, Helen E. Piper, Cora B. Weetman, Elizabeth Bjorklund, Viola Leach, Amanda Olson, Hulda Tornquist and Cordelia E. Osborne.

Second. We rejoice in the work being done by these elect women. The Montana Deaconess School, located at Helena, is an institution of such merit as to commend it to the sympathy and support of the entire church within our bounds.

Third. We request Bishop Luccock to appoint Rev. John Chirgwin as field secretary of this school and commend him and his mission to our pastors and people.

Fourth. We commend Miss Helen E. Piper for consecration as a deaconess.

Fifth. The hospital work so ably carried on under the superintendency of Miss E. Augusta Ariss, has already become one of the vital agencies for carrying forward the work of civic righteousness. The fields are 'white unto the harvest.' May the Lord of the harvest send forth more laborers into these ripening fields.

ISAAC S. WARE, Chairman.

MRS. E. C. BARTLETT, Secretary.

EDUCATION.

Whereas, our discipline calls for an Annual Conference Educational Board, we nominate the following persons to serve for the coming year:

Yellowstone District—S. A. Oliver, H. A. James, R. J. Cunningham, B. A. Winans.

Butte District—Geo. D. Wolfe, Jesse Lacklen, J. E. Patterson, Hon. Wm. Lindsay.

On the Board of Trustees for the Montana Wesleyan University, J. W. Tait and Edward Laird Mills to succeed themselves.

Whereas, under the able management of the Secretary, Thomas Nicholson, the Board of Education has reached a high stage of efficiency, and

Whereas, the new legislation secured by him will result favorably to the new and weaker institutions, therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the Montana Conference pledge ourselves to

stand by the board and give our part to the proposed general fund as apportioned to us. We renew our allegience to the Children's Day service and agree to observe it in all our charges annually.

We are pleased to learn of the progress of the new building in Helena and the outlook for increased attendance in our schools. We congratulate President Bovard in directing this most important work and we pledge our services as required in the discipline and canvassing our charges for students and reporting the same to our schools. We record our appreciation of the services of Prof. Tenny in his long and successful leadership of our schools. We regret his separation from the institution but shall follow him in his new work with our prayers and best wishes.

We express our loyalty to the Deaconess School under the able management of the Deaconess Board. We expres s our appreciation of the services rendered this school by the faithful work of Miss Beck and her teachers. We agree to assist in any way possible to reach the boys and girls between the ages of five and fourteen and direct the attention of parents to this institution.

We are pleased with the appointment of John Chirgwin to the financial agency of this institution and we shall with pleasure welcome him to our charges and pulpits for the presentation of the work of the schools as he may desire.

We also shall do all we can to forward the work of Miss Helen Piper as she goes in her search for students and sustaining fund for the school.

We are pleased the treasurer can report the school as approaching rapidly a self-supporting basis. Treasurer's report herewith submitted.

(a) **Receipts and Disbursements, Montana Wesleyan University,** from August 20th, 1912, to August 20th, 1913:

Receipts.

Cash balance on hand August 20th, 1912	$ 889.41	
From personal subscriptions sustaining fund and conference assessments	4,774.51	
From bills payable borrowed from American National Bank, Dec| 19th, 1912	500.00	
		$6,163.92

Disbursements.

Salary and expenses of Rev. C. L. Bovard	$2,500.00	
Salary of W. D. Tipton	100.00	
State and county taxes	122.24	
City taxes	268.25	
Furnishing Mills and College Hall	139.00	
Repairs Mills and College Hall	339.18	
Interest	775.43	
Insurance	30.00	
Printing and advertising	206.81	
Bills payable	900.00	
Sundry expenses	140.70	
Amount cash on hand	642.31	
		$6,163.92

(Internal expenses and income do not appear in above table. From past experience it runs about $9,000 per year and this sum should be added to the above to secure total budget of the institution.—Editor.)

(b) Montana Wesleyan Sustentation Fund Signatures:

Adams, P. M.
Bovard, C. L.
Baker (Removed)
Bartlett, E. C.
Badcon, J. A.
Bennett, J. W.
Barker, T. H.
Crouch, C. D.
Cunningham, C. E.
Chirgwin, John
Coad, J. E. (Removed)
Calvert, W. H.
Elliott, Wm. (Removed)
Fenton, C. E.
Fulford, F. C.
Goings, Wm.
Holton, J. F.
Hardy, D.
Hardie, T.
Hancher, John W.
James, H. A.
Leland, T. S.
Lacklen, Jesse
Linger, F. O.
Meeke, J. A.
Mills, E. L.
Oliver, S. A.
Plummer, A. E.
Putnam, L. R.
Rhodes, Chas.
Riggin, F. A.
Smith, E.
Snider, W. E.
Scott, I. I.
Spencer, F. T.
Smith, R. A.
Tait, J. W.
Tester, Wm. S.
Ulrich, S. P.
Ware, I. S.
Whitely, J. M.
Whitford, Fred
Wolfe, G. D.
Martin, T. H.
Wolfe, Chas. F.
Beard, Norton S.
Clarkson, Thos. R.
Papa, Joseph M. A.

(c) Montana Wesleyan Endowment and Extension Campaign.

Whereas, the Montana Wesleyan aspires to be a college in the real and modrn sense of the word—the Methodist church being pledged over and over again to see that it attains to the necessary equipment for the real work of the modern college, and

Whereas, it will be utterly impossible to realize this without some steady income from endowment, and

Whereas everything seems propitious for us to strike vigorously for the first unit of such endowment: (Good crops, rapid immigration, stimulating examples of other schools of our own and other denominations—friendships and active co-operation from our various boards and bishops—inspirations arising from the completion of our building on the new campus, etc.)

Therefore be it resolved,

(1) That we express our belief that the time is at hand when the aggressive and simultaneous campaign—brief and vigorous—should be waged throughout the state for such endowment and equipment, and

(2) That the sum to be asked be fixed at $75,000, fifty thousand of which shall be clear-cut endowment and the remainder be used in extension and school equipment, and

(3) That we urge the trustees to take such steps at once as shall successfully inaugurate said campaign, that we recommend that said campaign be waged and closed not later than December 1st, 1913. And in order to make said campaign effective, we each and every one pledge ourselves in conjunction with our sister conference, to give of our time, our talents and prayers to the prosecution of this campaign to any reasonable degree from now until the date suggested for its closing.

(d) **Annual Report of Montana Deaconess School** from August 1, 1912, to July 31, 1913:

Receipts.

Tuition, board, laundry, etc.	$10,953.47	
Cash contributions	2,477.73	
Borrowed of A. L. Pew July 25	150.00	
Cash on hand August 1, 1912	462.86	
Total cash receipts		$14,044.06
Other contributions received, including automobile from Mrs. Jacob Mills, fruits, vegetables, etc.		$ 1,025.45

Disbursements.	Bills paid	Unpaid
Groceries	$ 1,987.69	$ 171.10
Meat	420.63	104.50
Coal	877.40	57.40
Oil	314.55	147.95
Laundry	275.40	54.45
Advertising and printing	133.00	53.23
Deaconess allowance	929.00	
Hired help	2,014.60	
Repairs and supplies	3,337.28	326.63
Furnishings	766.60	235.00
Hay and grain	209.03	18.05
Plumbing	555.73	
Hospital expense	91.00	
Interest	167.67	
Traveling expense	479.20	
Insurance	20.00	
Children's expenses	1,202.80	87.69
Deaconess annual assessment and relief fund	86.00 86.00	
Miscellaneous		20.90
Cash on hand	176.48	
	$14,044.06	$1,276.90
Amount due the school for tuition, board, etc.		1,163.31
Deficiency for year		$ 133.59
Interest bearing indebtedness, July 31, 1913		$7,800.00

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

In view of the fact that there are in the Helena residential area 70,000 Sunday school scholars, 47,000 church members as against only 10,000 Epworth Leaguers, and that there are 8,000 church members and only 2,000 Epworth Leaguers in the two Montana Conferences and that this disproportion is unwarranted and dangerous. We believe that the time has come for a forward movement by all our pastors, and churches, in the interest of our young people.

Therefore we urge that every pastor be present for the Epworth League Rally at 7 o'clock on Sunday evening, and we recommend that the conference secretary call the roll at that meeting.

We also recommend that the week of prayer proposed by the State Convention be generally observed under the direction of the local chapter.

We regret that so many pastors absent themselves from the Epworth League devotional meetings. Believing the pastor has a place of influence in that service, we urge a greater co-operation in this respect.

We further recommend that because of the great spiritual and intellectual uplift which characterized the last State convention that every pastor urge his chapter to send a full delegation to the annual gathering.

JOHN G. ROSS,
R. T. WESTREN,
JNO. M. WHITELEY,
DAVID HARDY,
CHARLES L. BOVARD,
CHARLES D. CROUCH.

EQUALIZATION.

Whereas, the size of our conference territory makes the travel expense to and from the sessions of our conference very large and as this burden falls especially heavy upon the younger members who serve the poorer charges, therefore

Be It Resolved, That hereafter we pro-rate the railroad fare to and from the sessions of the conference for all members and probationers of the conference.

(Signed)

GEO. D. WOLFE,
PAUL M. ADAMS,
J. A. MEEKE,
R. T. WESTREN.

COMMISSION ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Church Finance, recommend that the following named non-connectional causes be deemed worthy of presentation in our churches. Ou r Deaconess Institutions, the Montana State Sunday School Association, the Montana Anti-Saloon League, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Florence Crittenden Home and the Montana Children's Home-finding Society.

It is also recommended that our pastors admit no local appeals in their churches until such appeals have been approved by the official board of the church.

JOHN A. MEEKE,
FRED O. KELLY,
T. H. MARTIN,
T. H. BARKER.

FREEDMAN'S AID.

All the mission fields had their Jubilee Year presentation to the Church. Recognizing the work of the Freedman's Aid as being very much missionary, we believe that it is very important that the work of this society be kept before the church during this Jubilee Year.

The General Conference issued an appeal to the whole church for $500,000.00. Of this amount the colored conferences have assumed $100,000.00. The balance of $400,000.0 must come from the church.

The amount apportioned this conference by the Commission on Finance for the coming year is $605.00. We pledge ourselves to present the cause of the freedman to our congregations and make a determined effort to secure the full apportionment.

FRED WHITFORD,
CHAS. E. FENTON.

HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSIONS.

Received from the Board of Home Missions at Philadelphia		$8,077.78
Disbursed	$7,777.78	
From Contingent Fund		50.00
Disbursed	50.00	..
Special gifts		110.00
Disbursed	110.00	
Total	$7,937.00	$8,237.00

CHURCH EXTENSION FUNDS.

Donations granted:

Ronan (Parsonage)	$ 100.00
Huntley (Parsonage)	250.00
Missoula (First Church)	2,000.00
Round Butte, Ronan Circuit	250.00
Luther	100.00
Total during Conference year	$2,700.00
Donations approved by Conference Board but not yet granted	$1,250.00
Available to our credit at Philadelphia	766.34
Interest due from churches in this Conference to loan fund	31.25

We would make grateful acknowledgement of the indespensable help rendered our Montana Methodism by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension acting for the church at large. And in view of the tremendous needs of our church in this growing state, and the constant demands upon the board, would urge upon our people an increased liberality towards this great benevolence.

We desire to record our hearty appreciation of the visit to this session of our Conference of Rev. Robert Forbes, D. D., senior secretary

of our Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. And unreservedly commend his judgment in bringing with him Mrs.. Forbes. And we hereby assure them of an always cordial welcome to Montana.

The presecne of the Rev. J. P. Morlatt, D. D., representative of the Fifteenth General Conference District on the General Committees, at this session of our Conference, is a new and very helpful fact in our Methodism. We commend his example in this regard, to those who represent the church on the general committees. And trust he will make us annual visits while he remains as our representative.

We welcome the Rev. J. M. A. Papa to our Conference, and to the work of evangelization of the Italian people in our state. We also record our sense of the high value of the visit of Rev. F. H. Wright, superintendent of Italian Missions in this country, to our state last spring.

Lact November at the meeting of the General Committee, owing to a clerical error made in the Philadelphia office, our Home Mission appropriation was reduced by the amount of $500.00. This reduction was a most distressing fact in the administration of our work, and seriously interfered with our forward movements. We respectfully urge that at the coming session of the General Committee this sum be restored to our appropriations, which in addition thereto ought to be largely increased, if Montana is to be won for Christ and the Church.

We recommend that the Conference Board be authorized to adjust the appropriations to the Districts and Charges, the bishop concurring, should such adjustment be made necessary by the action of the General Committee in increasing or decreasing our appropriation at its coming annual meeting.

We recommend the observance of the Sunday before Thanksgiving as Home Missions and Church Extension Sunday. And pledge ourselves to such earnest co-operation with the board as will result in the raising of our full apportionment. We also urge upon every pastor the wisdom of a fuller use of the Quarterly Conference Committees.

GEORGE D. WOLFE, President.

EDWARD L. MILLS, Secretary.

EDWARD SMITH, Treasurer.

HOSPITALS.

We are greatly rejoiced at the reports that come to us from the hospitals at Great Falls, Glasgow and Bozeman. In the work being done by these institutions the spirit of the Master is being exemplified. As a Conference we are especially gratified with the work being done by the Bozeman Deaconess Hospital. The financial condition of this institution is very encouraging. All the running expenses of the year have been met and $650 paid on the building fund and $907 have been expended for improvements. All of this by the regular income of the hospital. We recommend that each pastor observe the Sunday preceding Christmas as Hospital Day, at which time a money offering be taken and articles that would be useful in the hospital be collected.

We further recommend that a committee be appointed to take advantage of the splendid opportunity now presented at Sidney, and

we further recommend that Carl Bratten, A. E. Kenoyer, Hon. W. D. Kemmis, Miss E. Augusta Ariss, the superintendent of the Yellowstone District, and the pastor at Sidney be that committee.

C. E. FENTON,
F. O. LINGER
EDW. C. BARTLETT,
A. E. PLUMMER.

STEWARDS.

Receipts for the Annuity Fund—	
From the Book Concern	$ 693.00
From the Chartered Fund	30.00
Part of the support from the churches	1,061.00
Total	$1,784.00
Disciplinary annuity	$1,979.00
Annuity actually paid	1,884.00
Receipts from the Connectional fund	100.00
Part of the support from churches	493.00
Total	593.00
Average salary without house rent	747.00
Basis of annuity for each year of service	11.00
Actually paid this year	2,377.00

Disbursements—

Name.	Annuity.	Special.	Total.
Andrew Kershaw	$ 250.00		$ 250.00
S. E. Snider	200.00		200.00
A. P. Morrison	400.00		400.00
John Hosking	150.00		150.00
W. E. Snider	143.00	$ 7.00	150.00
Mrs. A. D. Raleigh	126.00	176.00	302.00
Mrs. Taft	82.00	18.00	100.00
Mrs. Rogers	60.00	67.00	127.00
Mrs. Lowry	66.00	34.00	100.00
Mrs. Comfort	16.00	84.00	100.00
J. W. Bennett	343.00	107.00	450.00
John Rogers	24.00		24.00
Robert Rogers	24.00		24.00
Total	$1,844.00	$493.00	$2,377.00

The claim of Sister Mickel on the anuity fund was disallowed on the ground that her income from private means is ample for a comfortable support.

The claim of Mrs. Chas. E. Miller was voluntarily relinquished in favor of other claimants.

Amount to be apportioned by the district superintendents for the support of conference claimants, $1,800.00.

We recommend conscientious care on the part of superintendents and pastors to raise in full all appropriated claims.

JACOB MILLS, Chairman.

S. A. OLIVER, Secretary.

TEMPERANCE AND CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS.

We, your Committee, desire to express our appreciation of the visit to our Conference of the distinguished secretary of our Church Temperance Society, Dr. Calrence True Wilson, whose fellowship has been so much enjoyed and whose eloquence in pulpit, platform and open air has accomplished so much for the cause of temperance and civic righteousness, and whose arduous labors are worthy the highest commendation. We sincerely hope that Dr. Wilson may be able to visit the various charges in this Conference. We recommend that all our pastors give him a hearty welcome to their pulpits.

We note with pleasure the harmonious effort being made by the various temperance societies of the country to secure an amendment to the Constitution of the United States prohibiting forever the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors.

We approve the action taken at the last meeting of our Annual State Epworth League, whereby resolutions were passed to the effect that Montana must become a dry state by the year 1920.

We recommend that our pastors and Sunday School superintendents secure liberal supplies of temperance literature and that a Temperance Day Rally be observed and an offering taken for the benefit of our Temperance Society.

We suggest that where our churches open to the Anti-Saloon League superintendent, that they make it a temperance field day, and give one-tenth of the offering to the Church Temperance Society and nine-tenths to the Anti Saloon League, thus supporting both causes and removing the embarrassment of a double collection for one cause.

We further recommend that the Montana Conference adopt the resolution recently adopted by the North Montana Conference with reference to the attitude of President Woodrow Wilson and the Hon. William Jennings Bryan on the temperance question.

Further, we desire to register our disapproval of the recent legislation of the Montana Legislature in regard to prize fighting; of horse-racing and its attendant evils, and especially of certain ecclesiastics who engage therein; and finally ot the increasing desecration in the varied forms of the Holy Sabbath day.

It is with great pleasure that we record our appreciation of the visit of Dr. Harry Ward during the conference year.. His addresses in many of the leading cities were productive of great good, especially in Butte where he addressed the various trade societies and helped to bring about a better feeling toward the church than had previously existed.

Whereas, the clergymen in and of the Methodist Episcopal Church and laymen delegates assembled at Glasgow, Montana, on August 15, 1913, representing the North Montana Methodist Episcopal Conference, having adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas the electorate of this great nation in their wisdom have called to the highest office of our country a Christian gentleman of abstemious habits, who, by his example and teaching is and has been a valuable advocate of temperance, and

Whereas, the president in the selection of a secretary of state

chose William J. Bryan, one of the greatest temperance advocates the world has produced and whose fame in this is international;

Now, therefor, we, the clergymen and laymen in the North Montana Methodist Episcopal Church in conference assembled, express our confidence and appreciation and give our unqualified endorsement to President Woodrow Wilson and Secretary William J. Bryan for their unswerving loyalty and support to the temperance cause."

Now, therefor, we, the clergymen and laymen delegates constituting the Montana Metholist Episcopal Conference heartily approve and endorse the above and foregoing resolution adopted at Glasgow, Montana, August 15, 1913, by the North Montana Methodist Episcopal Conference; and we further resolve that originals of the above resolution over the hand and seal of our bishop and secretary be given our president and secretary of state and that a copy thereof be spread on our Conference minute book.

J. A. MEEKE,
JOHN CHIRGWIN,
E. D. SWISHER,
W. E. SNIDER.

Dated this 21st day of August, 1913, Bozeman, Montana.

TREASURER.

Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana in Account with Jacob Mills, treasurer.

August 20, 1913—Bannack Church Fund last report	$	$ 56.07
Oct. 8, 1913—For recording two deeds—lots on reservation	4.00	
For one year's interest to date at 6 per cent....		3.12
	$ 55.19	
Aug. 20, 1913—Balance on hand		$ 55.19
Pyrites Church Fund, last report		$ 41.34
One year's interest at 6 per cent		2.48
Aug. 20, 1913—Balance on hand		$ 43.82
Trout Creek Church Fund, last report		$ 87.70
One year's interest at 6 per cent		5.27
Aug. 20, 1913—Balance on hand		$ 92.97
Balances brought down		191.98
Balance C. C. Fund on hand last report		$1,433.80
Aug. 26, 1912—J. W. Tait, acct. C. C. Fund		200.00
Returned to J. W. Tait	200.00	
Nov. 26, 1912—Taxes on church lots, Missoula county	2.86	
Dec. 27, 1912—2nd. div. 10 per cent First Trust and Sav. Bank, Billings		54.88
Aug. 20, 1913—One year's int. on bal. to date at 6 per cent		107.81
C. C. Fund balance	1,593.63	
	$1,796.49	$1,796.49

Aug. 20, 1913—Balance on hand of C. C. Fund.....		1,593.63
Above bal. brought down.....		191.98
Grand total of monies in hands of treasurer.....		$1,785.61
F. S. Clemo balance.....		57.00
		$1,842.61
UNPAID NOTES:		
L. L. Tower	$ 156.27	
First Trust & Sav. Bank, Billings.....	412.65	
	$ 568.82	

V. Statistics.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT.

Butte District, Montana Conference, 1913.

NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT — Support of Pastor: Total Claim Including House Rent	Total Paid Including House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonage	Deficiency
Anaconda	J. W. Tait	$ 2,200	$ 2,200	$ 400	....
Avon					
Butte, Grace	J. A. Meek	1,820	1,820	420	....
Butte, Mount Bethel & Wesley	Charles Rhodes	1,140	1,108	240	32
Butte, Mountain View	George D. Wolfe	2,900	2,900	500	....
Butte, Trinity	Paul M. Adams	1,800	1,800	300	....
Butte, Unity and Silver Bow Park	R. T. Westren	800	800	200	....
Butte, Italian Mission	J. M. Papa				....
Carlton Circuit	Thomas Hardie	750	750	100	....
Clancy and Jefferson	L. R. Putnam	675	675	150	....
Dillon	Jesse Lacklen	1,980	1,980	480	....
Drummond and Ovando	R. Blanning	752	752	120	....
Hamilton	F. T. Spencer	1,100	1,100	240	....
Helena, Oakes Street	John Chirgwin	720	720	120	....
Helena, St. Paul's	L. S. Ware	2,000	2,000	500	....
Lima and Armstead					
Lower Flathead Circuit	W. S. Tester	180	180		....
Marysville	L. R. Putnam		74		....
Meadow Creek Circuit	E. D. Swisher	600	844	120	....
Missoula	J. W. Bennett	2,360	2,360	360	....
Phillipsburg Circuit	I. I. Scott	945	945	120	....
Plains and Camas	B. V. Edworthy	820	820		....
Radersburg			75		
Rowan Circuit	John G. Ross	700	620	100	80
Sheridan & Ruby	Thomas H. Barker	1,150	1,150	150	....
Stevensville	Chas. D. Crouch	1,500	1,500	300	....
Thompson Falls	S. W. Clemes	110	80	120	30
Three Forks	C. S McClure	360	360	120	....
Townsend	D. H. Fleet	800	779	200	....
Twin Bridges and Centerville	A. C. Hoover	750	750	150	....
Winston and Beaver Creek	Rollin Smith	200	207		....
Whitehall Circuit	Fred Whitford	800	778	150	22
TOTALS		$29,602	$29,867	$5,660	$185

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT.

Butte District, Montana Conference, 1913.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT									SUNDAY SCHOOLS			BAPTISMS		
Support of District Superintendent—Claim	Support of District Superintendent—Paid	Support of Bishops—Claim	Support of Bishops—Paid	Support of Conference Claimants Claim	Support of Conference Claimants—Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment in All Departments	Adults Baptized	Children Baptized	Baptized Children Who Are Under Instructions as Probationers
$180	$180	$36	$36	$91	$91	$2,597	$	1	31	177	1	11	36
						50							
120	120	24	24	60	60	2,024		1	16	200		9	
88	73	18	10	45	24	1,215	76	2	33	326		23	35
220	220	48	48	120	120	3,288		3	40	525	3	30	
100	75	20	12	50	35	1,422	48	1	20	300	1	19	
80	60	12	10	30	16	886	16	2	13	150		12	
						25						2	
55	55	7	7	25	25	837		1	10	70			
50	50	10	5	25	5	735	25	1	8	40	2		
135	135	30	30	75	75	2,220		1	20	200		4	27
70	70	15	5		20	777	25	3	20	145			
90	90	19	5	45	45	1,330	14	1	25	143	2	16	4
60	60	12	12	25	40	832		1	10	90	8	2	10
50	150	21	21	75	75	2,246		1	36	275	15	5	30
						182		2	13	75	5	4	
2	2					74							
40	45	10	10	25	25	924		3	10	80	8	5	
200	200	40	40	100	100	2,700		2	47	525	4	9	
	20		3		15	983		3	23	135	2	7	
40	40					1,160	42	1	15	127		2	
12	12		2		6	95		1	5	25			
20	20	6	3	15	7	649	92	2	8	70			
70	70	20	15	50	45	1,280	10	2	27	185		6	20
100	100	24	24	60	60	1,684		1	12	135		5	4
10						80	40	1	5	25			
12	12	2	2	5	5	379		1	8	107		1	
60	60	12		30		839	63	1	6	50		2	
50	50	12	9	30	25	834	8	2	8	56	3	3	3
20	20	5	5	10	10	242		2	10	60	2		
65	45	13		30	20	843	65	3	13	120		5	
$2,054	$2,034	$ 456	$ 337	$1,021	$ 949	$33,357	$523	46	492	4,476	56	199	171

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—(Continued).

NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP					
		Probationers—Enrolled During Year	Probationeds—Now on Roll	Full Members—Members on Roll	Full Members—Non-resident Members	Full Members—Local Preachers	Full Members—Deaths During Year
Anaconda	J. W. Tait	4	16	252	8		3
Avon							
Butte, Grace	J. A. Meek	3	5	142			
Butte, Mount Bethel & Wesley	Charles Rhodes	39	42	111		3	1
Butte, Mountain View	George D. Wolfe	20	16	530		8	4
Butte, Trinity	Paul M. Adams	6	10	108	1		1
Butte, Unity and Silver Bow Park	R. T. Westren			99		2	3
Butte, Italian Mission	J. M. Papa						
Carlton Circuit	Thomas Hardy			26	4		2
Clancy and Jefferson	L. R. Putnam	10	7	54			1
Dillon	Jesse Lacklen	10	10	144	20		2
Drummond and Ovando	R. Blanning	8	8	75	15		
Hamilton	F. T. Spencer	48	10	121	25		1
Helena, Oakes Street	John Chirgwin	5	10	57	6	2	2
Helena, St. Paul's	I. S. Ware	20	32	265	6	2	2
Lima and Armstead							
Lower Flathead Circuit	W. S. Tester			34			
Marysville	L. R. Putnam						
Meadow Creek Circuit	E. D. Swisher	7		40		1	
Missoula	J. W. Bennett	12	36	361	15		2
Phillipsburg Circuit	I. I. Scott	4	3	40			
Plains and Camas	B. V. Edworthy		4	102	21		
Radersburg				6			
Ronan Circuit	John G. Ross	17		15			
Sheridan & Ruby	T. H. Barker	3		58	6		
Stevensville	Chas. D. Crouch	2	2	187	18		2
Thompson Falls	S. W. Clemes			7	2		
Three Forks	C. S. McClure			40			2
Townsend	D. H. Fleet			30	1		
Twin Bridges and Centerville	A. C. Hoover	3	7	49			
Winston and Beaver Creek	Rollin Smith N			16			1
Whitehall Circuit	Fred Whitford		7	64			1
TOTALS		204	225	3,033	148	18	30

JOHN M. WHITELEY, Statistician.
Huntley, Montana.

C. S. McCLURE,
B. V. EDWORTHY,
DAVID HARDY, Assistants

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—(Continued).

EPWORTH LEAGUE		CHURCH PROPERTY								GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES		
Senior Members	Junior Members	Churches	Estimated Value	Parsonages	Estimated Value	Paid for Buildings and Improvements on Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Current Expenses, Sexton, Fuel, Light, Etc.	Apportioned for the Quadrennium	Paid This Year	Balance Due for the Quadrennium
45	....	1	$ 25,000	1	$ 5,000	$ 695	$.....	$.....	$ 517	$ 40	$ 10	$ 30
....	....	1	2,000	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50	....	1	10,000	2	6,000	50	570	2,000	300	21	7	14
36	68	2	5,000	1	1,000	250	.....	.....	110	20	2	18
85	95	1	30,000	1	5,000	400	.....	800	2,188	36	12	24
63	....	1	10,000	1	3,000	90	10	96	400	20	5	15
....	....	2	13,500	....	.....	165	587	1,955	200	12	4	8
....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	....	2	2,000	1	800	120	.....	.....	24	.....	2	.....
12	....	2	2,950	1	800	463	413	200	20	12	3	9
40	....	1	11,300	3	11,000	150	.....	540	248	28	8	20
25	....	5	7,000	2	1,500	200	.....	50	65	.....	.....	.....
50	40	1	3,000	1	2,000	.....	.....	.....	87	15	.....	15
15	21	1	3,000	1	1,800	750	.....	76	108	16	4	12
80	32	1	40,000	1	5,000	.....	590	200	750	.....	.....	.....
....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	....	2	5,000	1	1,300	160	.....	.....	15	9	3	6
....	30	2	61,500	1	5,500	.....	4,000	4,000	2,000	40	5	35
13	....	1	3,000	1	1,000	75	.....	.....	120	.....	3	.....
36	....	1	2,900	....	.....	300	.....	.....	94	.....	.....	.....
....	....	1	1,200	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....
13	....	1	2,500	1	500	400	.....	620	25	.....	.....	.....
42	54	3	9,000	2	3,000	150	.....	.....	153	5	2	3
33	12	1	3,500	1	2,500	200	120	.....	120	24	6	18
20	....	1	1,500	1	600	330	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	.....
....	....	.....	.....	1	400	.....	.....	.....	84	.....	.....	.....
....	....	1	3,400	1	1,800	60	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....
....	....	1	3,000	1	2,000	204	.....	.....	48	.....	2	.....
....	....	1	2,000	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	8	2	6
....	....	2	3,000	1	1,000	.....	450	150	125	4	.....	4
658	352	41	$279,050	29	$ 63,500	$ 5,377	$6,740	$10,687	$ 7,883	$ 310	$ 80	$2 37

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NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR	MINISTERIAL Support of Pastor			
		Total Claim Including House Rent	Total Paid Including House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonages	Deficiency
Baker Circuit					
Big Timber Circuit	Thos. Clarkson	$ 670	$ 653	$ 120	$ 17
Billings	S. A. Oliver	1,800	1,800	300	
Birney			40		
Bloomfield	A. E. Plummer	600	600		
Bozeman	E. C. Bartlett	1,800	1,800	300	
Bridger and Fromberg	David Hardy	1,200	1,050		150
Clyde Park Circuit	James Thompson	520	359	120	161
Comanche Circuit	F. O. Linger	325	342		
Fishtail and Dean Circuit	A. T. Peck				
Forsythe and Howard Circuit	C. E. Fenton	1,020	1,020	300	
Glendive	W. B. Bliss	1,300	1,078	300	222
Huntley Circuit	Jno. M. Whiteley	1,050	1,050	250	
Laurel	C. N. Hurst	900	900	250	
Livingston	H. A. James	1,440	1,440	240	
Lower Yellowstone Circuit					
Miles City	C. E. Cunningham	1,800	1,800	600	
Park City Circuit	W. H. Calvert	800	920	120	
Pine Creek Circuit	C. B. May	850	850	150	
Red Lodge	T. H. Martin	1,000	1,000	200	
Red Lodge Circuit					
Red Water Circuit	H. M. Cooper		94		
Sidney	N. S. Beard	887	887	200	
Wibaux Circuit	C. P. Adams	600	600		
TOTALS		$18,562	$18,283	$2,980	$550

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SUPPORT								SUNDAY SCHOOLS			BAPTISMS		
Support of District Superintendent—Claim	Support of District Superintendent—Paid	Support of Bishops—Claim	Support of Bishops—Paid	Support of Conference Claimants—Claim	Support of Conference Claimants—Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment in All Departments	Adults Baptized	Children Baptized	Baptized Children Who Are Under Instructions as Probationers
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
$ 56	$ 56	$ 10	$ 10	$ 25	$ 25	$ 744	$ 17	$ 2	$ 8	$ 40	$	$ 2	$ .....
150	150	30	30	75	75	2,055	....	2	25	368	6	3	41
10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
60	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	660	....	4	21	125	.....	4	.....
150	150	30	30	75	75	2,005	....	1	20	250	1	9	.....
105	90	20	18	52	45	1,203	174	2	18	170	5	3	.....
40	19	8	6	20	16	400	188	1	6	79	.....	1	.....
34	34	7	7	17	17	400	....	6	30	145	7	2	.....
...	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	....	2	10	70	1	4	.....
72	72	15	15	36	15	1,122	21	2	11	130	3	9	.....
100	77	20	15	50	39	1,209	261	1	17	165	.....	.....	.....
80	80	16	16	40	40	1,186	....	3	3	277	24	7	.....
65	65	13	13	32	32	1,010	....	2	21	92	1	2	.....
120	120	24	24	60	60	1,644	....	1	20	275	6	16	12
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...
120	120	24	24	60	60	2,004	....	1	21	524	3	6	20
80	80	16	16	40	40	1,056	....	3	20	165	.....	1	.....
70	70	14	14	35	35	969	....	1	14	69	.....	.....	.....
80	80	12	12	25	25	1,117	....	1	10	120	6	11	11
...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	2	11	51	.....	.....	.....
...	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	106	....	2	15	40	.....	2	.....
100	100	20	20	50	50	1,057	....	1	10	138	7	1	.....
60	47	12	.....	30	.....	647	55	8	40	290	.....	.....	.....
$1.552	$1,507	$ 291	$ 270	$ 722	$ 649	$20,709	$716	$ 49	$ 389	$3,598	$ 70	$ 83	$ 84

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NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP					
		Probationers—Enrolled During Year	Probationers—Now on Roll	Full Members—Members on Roll	Full Members—Non-resident Members	Full Members—Local Preachers	Full Members—Deaths During Year
Baker Circuit							
Big Timber Circuit	Thos. Clarkson			37			
Billings	S. A. Oliver	41	49	302	18	2	3
Birney							
Bloomfield	A. E. Plummer	3	3	60		1	
Bozeman	E. C. Bartlett	3	4	335	73		1
Bridger and Fromberg	David Hardy	9	8	104	16		1
Clyde Park Circuit	Jas. Thompson			27			1
Comanche Circuit	F. O. Linger	7	7	62			
Fishtail and Dean Circuit	A. F. Peck			12		1	
Forsythe and Howard Circuit	C. E. Fenton	6	3	58		1	
Glendive	W. B. Bliss			68			
Huntley Circuit	Jno. M. Whiteley	35	1	106	2		1
Laurel	C. N. Hurst	2		81			2
Livingston	H. A. James	29	20	236	9		2
Lower Yellowstone Circuit							
Miles City	C. E. Cunningham	4	10	230	24	3	
Park City Circuit	W. H. Calvert	7		102			3
Pine Creek Circuit	C. B. May	5	3	63			
Red Lodge	T. H. Martin	17	9	97	6	1	
Red Lodge Circuit				15			
Red Water Circuit	H. M. Cooper	2	2	35	2	2	
Sidney	N. S. Beard	4	7	86		2	
Wibaux Circuit	C. P. Adams			125			
TOTALS		174	126	2241	150	13	14

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EPWORTH LEAGUE		CHURCH PROPERTY								GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES		
Senior Members.....	Junior Members.....	Churches.....	Estimated Value.....	Parsonages.....	Estimated Value.....	Paid for Buildings and Improvements on Churches and Parsonages.....	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Current Expenses, Sexton, Fuel, Light, Etc.	Apportioned for the Quadrennium.....	Paid This Year.....	Balance Due for the Quadrennium.....
....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	....	2	$ 4,000	1	$ 1,300	$.....	$ 65	$ 400	$ 40	$ 9	$ 3	$ 6
35	....	1	15,000	1	8,000	1,050	.....	.....	395	21	5	16
....	....	1	1,000	1	900	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
23	....	....	.....	1	300	100	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....
64	40	1	19,000	1	2,000	205	.....	.....	847	21	7	14
18	....	2	12,450	1	2,400	1,150	.....	700	360	15	1	14
....	....	1	2,000	1	1,000	9	.....	.....	100	6	2	4
.....	....	1	1,800	....	.....	25	35	.....	5	9	.....	9
....	....	....	125	....	.....	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
23	....	1	7,000	1	3,000	.....	.....	.....	114	.....	.....	.....
33	....	2	30,000	1	2,250	20	2,000	13,758	228	15	1	14
61	17	1	4,250	1	1,600	.....	1,137	500	135	15	5	10
20	....	1	8,500	1	1,850	.....	400	1,400	186	15	5	10
49	33	1	9,000	1	1,500	240	900	.....	577	24	6	18
....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
76	20	1	10,000	1	4,500	5,000	.....	.....	500	18	5	13
20	....	2	8,600	1	1,000	.....	.....	.....	100	15	4	11
30	....	1	3,000	1	1,900	167	100	.....	66	9	3	6
7	10	2	5,100	1	2,000	30	60	40	350	12	2	10
....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
35	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	3
22	....	1	3,000	1	2,700	44	.....	.....	125	12	1	11
12	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	12
528	120	21	$142,825	....	$ 37,300	$ 8,165	$4,697	$16,998	$ 4,128	$ 231	$ 50	$ 181

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.
Butte District, Montana Conference, 1913.

NAMES OF CHARGES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS													
	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollmnet Dept's Inclg. Cradle Roll, Home Dept. Officers, Teachers, Scholars	Scholars of All Grades	Average Attendance of All Grades	Members in the Home Deartment	Children on the Cradle Roll	Officers and Teachers Who Are Church Members or Probationers	Scholars, Inclg., the Home Dep't Who Are Church Church Members or Probs.	Members Sunday School Converted During Conference Year	Collection for the Board of Sunday Schools: Church	Collection for the Board of Sunday Schools: Sunday School	Collection for the Board of Sunday Schools: Ten per cent of S. S. Missionary Offering	Sunday School Expenses Lessons, Leaves, Books, etc.
Anaconda	1	31	280	229	160	21	30	31	110		$	$ 20	$ 9	$ 158
Avon														
Butte, Grace	1	16	200	200	136			14	53	3		4	6	198
Butte, Mt. Bethel and Wesley	2	33	326	273	135		20	33	70	35		6	4	196
Butte, Mountain View	3	40	525	425	350	50	50	38	200	16	20	10	20	300
Butte, Trinity	1	20	300	300	156			16		8		5	5	170
Butte, Unity and Silver Bow Park	2	13	163	150	96			10			1		2	60
Butte, Italian Mission														
Carlton Circuit	1	10	70		50			6	8			4		40
Clancy and Jefferson	1	8	48	40	35			8	30	6			1	
Dillon	1	20	200	180	114		20	18	24	8			5	250
Drummond and Ovando	3	20	145		95		10	19	41		2			85
Hamilton	1	25	168	143	110		20	25	65	22		3		67
Helena, Oak Street	1	10	90	90	50		15	10	20	3	1	1		60
Helena, St. Paul's	1	36	275	225	160	30	25	36		20				135
Lima and Armstead	1	5		30	20				3			2		14
Lower Flathead Circuit	2	13	75	62	60			10		5				35
Marysville														
Meadow Creek Circuit	3	10	80	70	50			6	22		3		5	50
Missoula	2	47	525	400	295	85	40	47		35		40		325
Phillipsburg Circuit	3	23	135	112	80		25	15	6	7		2		90
Plains and Camas	1	15	127	100	60	12	15	15	50			10		95
Radersburg	1	5	25	25	20		10	3						
Ronan Circuit	2	8	70		50			4	6			1		25
Sheridan and Ruby	2	27	212	185	127			11	9	1		2	3	105
Stevensville	1	12	135	125	76		15	12	90	1	12	5		60
Thompson	1	5	25	25	15			5					1	30
Three Forks	1	8	107	97	58			6					8	13
Townsend	1	6	56	50	38			5						50
Twin Bridges and Centerville	2	8	45	56	43			6	18		5			35
Winston and Beaver Creek	2	10	60	50	35		5	16				2	1	30
Whitehall Circuit	3	13	120	120	105			10	16	3			1	40
TOTALS	49	497	4,587	3,762	2,779	198	300	435	841	173	$ 44	$ 117	$ 71	$2,737

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Yellowstone District, Montana Conference, 1913

NAMES OF CHARGES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS											Collection for the Board of Sunday Schools			
	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment Depts, Incl. Cradle Roll, Home Dept Officers, Teachers, Scholars	Scholars of All Grades	Average Attendance of All Grades	Members in the Home Department	Children on the Cradle Roll	Officers and Teachers Who Are Church Members or Probationers	Dep't Who Are Church Dep't Who Are Church Church Members or Probs.	Members Sunday School Converted During Conference Year	Church	Sunday School	Ten per cent of S. S. Missionary Offering	Lessons, Leaves, Books, etc.
Baker Circuit											$	$	$	$
Big Timber Circuit	2	8	48	40	30			8				9		15
Billings	1	25	348	348	180	40	53	25	160	21	10	3	12	140
Birney	2	9	40	40	25				30					19
Bloomfield	4	21	125	125	100			18		4				17
Bozeman	1	20	250	194	130		36	20	140		30		12	296
Bridger and Fromberg	2	18	188	170	100		54	17	16	11			3	100
Clyde Park Circuit	1	6	75	69	45			1				1		
Comanche Circuit	6	30	145	145	19			30		7				30
Fishtail and Dean Circuit	2	10	70	60	47			4		2				
Forsythe and Howard Circuit	2	9	150	130	90		20	8	45	5	6	5	2	75
Glendive	1	17	165	130	77	5	30	14				3		
Huntley Circuit	3	31	308	277	200		10	25	60	51	2	3	5	216
Laurel	2	21	161	92	65		48	17	20				1	75
Livingston	1	20	275	224	144		31	20	54	20		6	14	188
Lower Yellowstone Circuit														
Miles City	1	21	324	150	124	72	102	19	68	2	6	6	10	200
Park City Circuit	3	20	165	145	92			16	20	3	3	3		90
Pine Creek Circuit	1	14	69	55	38			14		5	6		2	43
Red Lodge	1	10	120	110	75			10		15			3	60
Red Lodge Circuit	2	11	51	40	33			8						
Red Water Circuit	2	15	40	30	25			15	30	1		2		25
Sidney	1	10	138		52			10		3	1		1	45
Wibaux	8	40	290	250	176			40						105
TOTALS	49	394	3,545	2,821	1,867	117	384	339	643	150	$ 64	$ 41	$ 65	$1.739

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DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES

NAMES OF CHARGES	Missions						Freedmen's Aid Society	Education		
	Board of Foreign Missions—Church..	Board of Foreign Missions—Special Gifts	Board of Foreign Missions—Sunday Schools.....	Board of Home Mis-Extension—Church.	Board of Home Missions and Church Extension—Special Gifts	Board of Home Missions and Church Extension—Sunday Schools		Board of Education—Public Educational Collection ..	Board of Education—Children's Fund.	Conference Educational Collection ..
Anaconda	$ 120	$ 80	$ 40	$ 165	$.....	$ 40	$ 40	$.....	$ 18	$ 144
Butte, Grace	28	.....	27	30	4	27	5	.....	7	96
Butte, Mt. View	213	152	102	213	.....	102	63	.....	25	192
Butte, Trinity	20	35	.....	20	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	80
Unity and Silver Bow Park	2	.....	11	2	.....	11	2	.....	.....	30
Carlton Circuit	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	2	.....	2	45
Clancy and Jefferson	.....	.....	4	3	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	45
Dillon	55	.....	24	55	.....	24	8	.....	8	120
Drummond and Ovando	22	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Hamilton	22	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	72
Helena, Oakes Street	33	6	5	42	.....	5	3	.....	1	80
Helena, St. Paul's	90	.....	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	142
Meadow Creek	22	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	5	.....	9	40
Missoula	240	222	40	196	.....	40	40	.....	20	160
Philipsburg Circuit	10	.....	10	10	.....	10	1	.....	2	35
Plains and Camas	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ronan Circuit	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
Stevensville	114	.....	26	114	60	26	22	.....	11	96
Sheridan and Ruby	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	15	4	.....	3	80
Thompson Falls	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Forks and Logan	4	.....	4	4	.....	4	.....	.....	2	3
Townsend	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Twin Bridges and Centerville	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48
Whitehall Circuit	10	.....	5	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	40
Winston and Beaver Creek	10	70	1	10	20	1	3	10	3	22
Butte, Mt. Bethel and Wesley	15	.....	20	9	.....	23	5	.....	6	48
Radersburg	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	8
Totals	$ 1,069	$ 565	$ 334	$1,041	$ 84	$ 372	$ 204	$ 10	$ 120	$1,571
Increase Over Last Year	94	.....	.....	15	84	.....	16	.....	.....	.....
Decrease Over Last Year	.....	144	63	.....	.....	37	.....	33	28	377
Butte District	1,069	565	334	1,041	84	372	204	10	120	1,571
Yellowstone District	566	381	285	632	.....	283	162	1	79	1,005
GRAND TOTALS	$ 1,635	$ 946	$ 619	$ 1,673	$ 84	$ 655	$ 366	$ 11	$ 197	$2,576
Increase Over Last Year	12	126	.....	106	.....	.....	41	.....	.....	.....
Decrease Over Last Year	.....	.....	151	.....	.....	81	.....	32	65	328

NAMES OF CHARGES	OTHER BENEVOLENCES												
	Board of Sunday Schools—Church	Board of Sunday Schools—Sunday Schools (Total)	Conference Claimants—Bd. of Conf. Claimants (Chicago)	Conference Claimants Annual Conference Investments	Church Temperance Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home—Missionary Society—Cash	Woman's Home—Missionary Soc.—Supplies	American Bible Society	City Missionary or Church Extension	Central Office Expenses Epworth League	Methodist Brotherhood Dues	Total Disciplinary Benevolences
Anaconda	$...	$ 29	$ 10	$...	$ 13	$ 47	$...	$ 229	$ 10	$...	$ 2	$...	$ 987
Butte, Grace	...	10	4	....	1	18	6	.....	1	....	15	....	266
Butte, Mt. View	20	30	....	....	10	306	....	.....	16	....	15	....	1,449
Butte, Trinity	...	10	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	190
Unity and Silver Bow Park	1	2	....	....	1	....	1	.....	1	....	....	....	64
Carlton Circuit	...	4	....	....	1	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	74
Clancy and Jefferson	...	1	....	....	2	....	....	.....	1	....	....	....	60
Dillon	...	5	....	....	....	46	....	.....	1	....	1	....	347
Drummond and Ovando	2	....	15	....	2	1	1	.....	1	....	1	....	90
Hamilton	3	....	....	....	....	20	....	.....	6	....	6	....	157
Helena, Oakes Street	1	1	....	....	2	....	....	110	....	....	12	....	448
Helena, St. Paul's	...	....	....	....	....	114	....	38	1	....	....	....	147
Meadow Creek	3	5	....	....	2	....	....	.....	5	....	15	4	1,026
Missoula	...	40	4	....	....	....	....	.....	1	....	1	....	83
Philipsburg Circuit	...	2	....	....	1	....	....	.....	....	....	2	....	22
Plains and Camas	...	10	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	31
Ronan Circuit	...	1	7	....	....	....	....	.....	4	....	2	....	496
Stevensville	12	5	....	....	4	....	....	.....	2	....	3	....	130
Sheridan and Ruby	2	3	....	....	1	1	1	.....	....	....	....	....	.....
Thompson Falls	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	21
Three Forks and Logan	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	12
Townsend	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	63
Twin Bridges and Centerville	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	66
Whitehall Circuit	...	1	....	....	....	....	....	.....	1	....	....	....	159
Winston and Beaver Creek	...	2	6	....	1	....	....	.....	1	....	....	....	159
Butte, Mt. Bethel and Wesley	...	10	....	....	1	....	....	.....	1	....	2	....	140
Radersburg	...	2	....	....	1	....	....	.....	1	....	....	....	23
Totals	$ 49	$173	$ 45	$...	$ 43	$553	$ 9	$377	$ 53	$...	$ 55	$ 4	$ 6,731
Increase Over Last Year	...	55	....	....	....	....	....	.....	7	....	25	....	738
Decrease Over Last Year	17	....	....	....	....	137	417	34	....	....	....	....	.....
Butte District	49	171	45	....	43	553	9	377	53	....	55	4	6,731
Yellowstone District	89	86	4	....	20	202	4	.....	26	1	29	....	3,877
GRAND TOTALS	$138	$257	$ 49	$...	$ 63	$755	$ 13	$377	$ 79	$ 1	$ 84	$ 4	$10,608
Increase Over Last Year	...	79	....	....	63	....	....	.....	19	1	....	4	1,492
Decrease Over Last Year	17	....	....	....	....	164	452	34	....	....	36	....	.....

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.
Butte District, Montana Conference, 1913.

NAMES OF CHARGES	OTHER BENEVOLENCES							Other Items			Grand Total.....
	Deaconess School.....	Florence Crittenden Home.....	Montana State Sunday School Association...	Bozeman Hospital.....	Total Other Benevolences.....	Other Benevolences.....	Total Benevolences.....	Support of Conference Claimants ..	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund).	General Conference Expenses	
Anaconda	$ 30	$...	$ 15	$.....	$ 94	$ 49	$ 1,085	$ 91	$ 36	$ 10	$ 1,218
Butte, Grace	30	....	10	.....	44	4	310	60	24	7	401
Butte, Mt. View	100	35	50	10	715	520	2,164	120	48	12	2,344
Butte, Trinity	.....	....	6	11	82	65	272	35	12	5	329
Unity and Silver Bow Park	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	63	16	10	4	94
Carlton Circuit	.....	....	16	.....	61	45	135	25	7	2	169
Clancy and Jefferson	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	60	20	5	3	88
Dillon	11	....	....	8	29	10	376	75	30	8	489
Drummond and Ovando	56	....	....	5	61	.....	151	15	5	3	174
Hamilton	64	....	....	50	114	.....	271	45	5	.....	321
Helena, Oakes Street	....	....	....	2	23	21	203	40	12	4	259
Helena, St. Paul's	....	....	....	32	32	.....	480	75	21	.....	576
Meadow Creek	.....	....	....	20	20	.....	167	25	10	3	205
Missoula	.....	....	....	.....	106	106	1,032	100	40	5	1,277
Philipsburg Circuit	14	....	....	.....	21	7	117	15	3	3	125
Plains and Camas	27	....	....	.....	21	.....	49	.....	.....	.....	49
Ronan Circuit	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	31	.....	2	.....	33
Stevensville	28	....	7	826	991	130	1,487	60	24	6	1,577
Sheridan and Ruby	....	....	....	5	5	.....	135	45	15	2	197
Thompson Falls	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Forks and Logan	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	21	5	2	.....	28
Townsend	....	....	....	4	4	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	16
Twin Bridges and Centerville	1	....	....	.....	1	.....	64	25	9	2	100
Whitehall Circuit	....	....	....	11	33	22	99	20	.....	.....	119
Winston and Beaver Creek	35	....	....	7	96	4	253	5	5	2	268
Butte, Mt. Bethel and Wesley	....	5	....	15	12	2	152	24	10	2	188
Radersburg	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	2	.....	.....
Totals	$448	$ 40	$104	$ 996	$2,571	$ 985	$ 9,300	$ 946	$ 937	$ 84	$10,670
Increase Over Last Year	....	....	....	.....	883	.....	.....	46	102	12	1,129
Decrease Over Last Year	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Butte District	....	....	....	.....	2,571	.....	9,277	940	335	83	10,670
Yellowstone District	....	....	....	.....	1,381	.....	5,258	680	273	52	6,263
GRAND TOTALS	....	....	....	.....	3,952	.....	$14,535	$ 1,620	$ 608	$ 135	$16,933
Increase Over Last Year	....	....	....	.....	200	.....	.....	80	183	1	1,069
Decrease Over Last Year	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

JESSE LACKLEN, Treasurer. Bozeman, Montana. FRED WHITFORD, Auditor.

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Yellowstone District, Montana Conference, 1913.

NAMES OF CHARGES	DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES										
	Missions							Education			
	Board of Foreign Missions—Church	Board of Foreign Missions—Special Gifts	Board of Foreign Missions—Sunday Schools	Board of Home Mission—Church Extension	Board of Home Missions and Church Extension—Special Gifts	Board of Home Missions and Church Extension—Sunday Schools	Freedmen's Aid Society	Board of Education—Public Educational Collection	Board of Education—Children's Fund.	Conference Educational Collection
Big Timber	$ 12	$...	$...	$ 24	$...	$.....	$ 5	$...	$...	$ 18
Billings	46	186	54	96	....	54	25	....	13	120
Bloomfield	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....
Bozeman	142	100	58	142	....	58	36	....	21	120
Bridger and Fromberg	.....	3	15	....	....	15	1	....	2	30
Clyde Park	4	....	....	4	....	.....	1	....	....	24
Comanche Circuit	.....	....	5	4	....	2	....	....	1	28
Forsythe	8	....	12	8	....	12	4	....	3	58
Glendive	27	....	....	27	....	.....	5	....	2	35
Huntley	18	12	22	17	....	23	8	1	4	64
Laurel	20	....	5	20	....	5	10	....	2	52
Livingston	61	10	59	61	....	59	20	....	7	96
Miles City	110	70	28	110	.....	28	25	....	10	96
Park City	37	....	....	38	....	.....	5	....	5	64
Pine Creek	27	....	8	27	....	8	7	....	3	56
Red Lodge	10	.. ..	15	10	....	15	2	....	2	64
Red Water Circuit	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....
Sidney	39	....	4	39	....	4	8	....	1	80
Wibaux	5	....	....	5	....	.....	....	....	....	....
Totals	$566	$381	$285	$632	....	$283	$162	$ 1	$ 78	$1,005
Increase Over Last Year	.....	270	....	91	....	.....	25	....	....	....
Decrease Over Last Year	82	....	88	....	....	44	....	....	36	51

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NAMES OF CHARGES	DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES.												
	Board of Sunday Schools—Church	Board of Sunday Schools—Sunday Schools (Total)	Conference Claimants—Bd. of Conf. Claimants (Chicago)	Conference Claimants Annual Conference Investments	Church Temperance Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	W. H. M. S.—Cash	W. H. M. S.—Supplies	American Bible Society	City Missionary or Church Extension	Central Office Expenses Epworth League	Methodist Brotherhood Dues	Total Disciplinary Benevolences
Big Timber	$ 6	$ 3	$..	$..	$..	$..	$..	$...	$...	$...	$...	$...	$ 68
Billings	10	15	...	...	2	...	...	....	2	....	3	....	747
Bloomfield	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	....
Bozeman	30	12	...	...	5	49	4	....	9	....	5	....	791
Bridger and Fromberg	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	1	....	69
Clyde Park	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	35
Comanche Circuit	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	43
Forsythe	6	5	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	1	....	117
Glendive	8	2	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	106
Huntley	4	5	2	...	2	10	...	....	2	....	4	....	198
Laurel	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	2	....	120
Livingston	...	20	...	...	...	20	...	....	4	....	4	....	421
Miles City	12	10	...	...	5	...	...	....	1	....	3	....	508
Park City	3	3	...	...	3	...	...	....	5	....	2	....	165
Pine Creek	6	1	...	...	...	...	...	....	2	....	....	....	145
Red Lodge	...	3	...	...	2	...	...	....	1	1	2	....	127
Red Water Circuit	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	2
Sidney	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	2	....	179
Wibaux	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	....	....	10
Totals	$89	$86	$ 4	$..	$20	$202	$ 4	$...	$26	$ 1	$29	$...	$3,877
Increase Over Last Year	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	....	12	....	11	....	836
Decrease Over Last Year	...	...	5	...	...	27	35	....	....	....	....	....	.....

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NAMES OF CHARGES	OTHER BENEVOLENCES							Other Items			Grand Total.....
	eDaconess School.....	Florence Crittenden Home.....	Montana State Sunday School Association....	Bozeman Hospital.....	Total Other Benevolences.....	Other Benevolences.....	Total Benevolences.....	Support of Conference Claimants ..	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund).	General Conference Expenses	
Big Timber	$ 6	$....	$....	$....	$ 6	$....	$ 74	$ 25	$ 10	$ 3	$ 112
Billings	21	11	26	5	44	.....	793	75	30	5	903
Bloomfield	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bozeman	.....	3	.....	.....	20	17	811	75	30	7	923
Bridger and Fromberg	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	43	112	45	18	1	176
Clyde Park	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	16	6	2	59
Comanche Circuit	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	17	7	2	69
Forsythe	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	117	35	15	.....	167
Glendive	9	.....	5	.....	14	.....	120	38	15	1	174
Huntley	5	.....	.....	25	46	16	244	40	16	5	305
Laurel	.....	7	.....	3	10	.....	130	32	13	5	180
Livingston	.....	.....	.....	50	50	.....	471	60	24	6	561
Miles City	.....	.....	.....	24	24	.....	532	60	24	5	621
Park City	.....	.....	.....	5	5	.....	170	40	16	4	230
Pine Creek	.....	.....	.....	10	87	77	232	35	14	3	284
Red Lodge	500	2 4	.....	500	1,027	.....	1,151	25	12	2	1,190
Red Water Circuit	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2
Sidney	.....	.....	8	.....	8	.....	187	50	20	1	258
Wibaux	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	10	12	3	.....	25
Totals	$522	$ 45	$ 39	$ 622	$1,381	$ 153	$5,258	$ 680	$ 273	$ 52	$6,263
Increase Over Last Year	.....	.....	.....	.....	936	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease Over Last Year	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

JESSE LACKLEN, Treasurer. Bozeman, Montana. FRED WHITFORD, Assistant.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT

Montana Conference, 1913.

NAME OF DISTRICT	NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT	MINISTERIAL					
		Support of Pastor—Total Claim Including House Rent	Support of Pastor—Total Paid Including House Rent	Support of Pastor—Rental Value of Parsonage	Support of Pastor—Deficiency	Support of District Superintendent—Claim	Paid
Yellowstone	Edward Smith	$18,562	$18,283	$ 3,450	$ 550	$ 1,552	$ 1,507
Butte	Edward Laird Mills	29,050	30.067	5,660	* 185	2,034	2,014
	Totals	$47,612	$48,350	$ 9,110	$ 735	$ 3,574	$ 3,509
	Decrease Over Last Year				575		26
	Gain Over Last Year	545	2,054	545		98	

NAME OF DISTRICT	NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.						EPWORTH LEAGUE	
		Probationers—Enrolled During Year	Probationers—Now on Roll	Full Members—Members on Roll	Full Members—Non-resident Members	Full Members—Local Preachers	Full Members—Deaths During Year	Senior Members	Junior Members
Yellowstone	Edward Smith	174	126	2,241	150	13	14	528	120
Butte	Edward Laird Mills	204	225	3,033	148	18	30	658	352
	Totals	378	351	5,274	298	31	44	1,186	472
	Decrease Over Last Year						2	101	
	Gain Over Last Year		39	297		7			

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Montana Conference, 1913.

SUPPORT						SUNDAY SCHOOLS			BAPTISMS.		
Support of Bishops—Claim	Paid	Support of Conference Claimants—Claim	Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support.	Total Deficiency	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment in all Departments	Adults Baptized	Children Baptized	Baptized Children Who Are Under Instruction as Probationers
$ 291	$ 270	$ 722	$ 649	$20,709	$ 716	$ 49	$ 370	$ 3,383	$ 70	$ 83	$ 84
381	337	976	949	33,272	367	49	492	4,416	56	199	171
$ 672	$ 607	$ 1,698	$ 1,598	$54,076	$ 1,083	$ 98	$ 891	$ 8,132	$ 126	$ 282	$ 255
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....
212	282	64	58	3,662	.....	1	.....	349	3	43	.....

CHURCH PROPERTY							GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES		
Churches	Estimated Value	Parsonages	Estimated Value	Paid for Buildings and Improvements on Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Current Expenses, Sexton, Fuel, Light, etc.	Apportioned for the Quadrennium.	Paid This Year	Balance Due for the Quadrennium.
21	$142,825	$16	$ 37,300	$ 8,165	$ 4,697	$16,998	$ 4,128	$ 231	$ 50	$ 181
4$1	268,250	29	63,500	5,212	6,740	10,687	7,873	310	80	237
62	$411,075	$45	$100,800	$ 13,377	$ 11,437	$27,685	$ 12,001	$ 541	$ 130	$ 418
.....	.....	.....	.....	30,171	5,188	.....	.....	.....	4	.....
2	15,258	1	8,010	.....	.....	7,952	2,999	.....	.....	.....

(c) MEMORS.

Mrs. Sarah E. Jenkins, wife of the late Rev George W. Jenkins, an honored member of this Conference, was born in Pennsylvania, December 18th, 1836, and died in Butte, Montana, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Hugh Wright, shortly after the close of the last session of our Conference.

When a young woman, she removed with her parents to the new state of Iowa. At the close of the War, she was united in marriage to Brother Jenkins, who had served his country honorably during the great struggle. Shortly after this they entered the itinerant ministry where, hand in hand, they labored until Brother Jenkins was called Home. Since that time, 1901, she made her home with her daughter in Butte, Montana, where she did what she could to bless and cheer all with whom she came in contact.

They had a large family, the following members still surviving: Mrs. J. J. Carmichael of Philipsburg, Miss Cora Jenkins and Mrs. Hugh Wright of Butte, Mrs. D. R. McRae of Anaconda and W. S. Jenkins of Hall.

Mrs. Jenkins was a model wife and mother. She entered into all her husband's work and yet neglected none of her home duties. She was patient and gracious bearing, although she suffered greatly during the last years of her life. She greeted everyone with a smile of cheer.

Her testimony to the last was of the goodness of God and the saving grace of Jesus Christ. After a brief service in the home at Butte, attended by Rev. J. W. Tait of Anaconda and the Methodist ministers of Butte, her remains were borne to Philipsburg, where the beautiful church her husband and she had been instrumental in building, was crowded to the doors by friends of other years and all had words of grief at the loss of a kind and loving friend. The writer conducted the services at the latter place, having performed a similar office for the husband twelve years previously.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

CHAS. L. BOVARD.

Agnes Belle Snider was born near Keosaqua, Iowa, April 4, 1870, and died at Billings, Montana, April 26, 1913. She was married April 3, 1900, to Rev. William E. Snider at Miles City, Montana. Two daughters, Willa, aged 10, and Gertrude, aged 8, were born of this union. She leaves beside her husband and daughters, her mother, Mrs. A. H. Lane, her sisters, Mrs. Stella Wright, Mrs. Edward Deford

JOHN W. BENNETT.

and Mrs. Allan Bennett, her brothers, A. M. Lane, Edgar Lane and George F. Lane. Our deceased sister was trained in a Christian home and in the church. She endured the labors and privations of the ministry in frontier conditions with great fortitude. Never very robust, her strength was taxed severely in the work to which her life was dedicated. She lived for her home, her children and the church. For more than a year she battled with ill health and suffered constantly. In the furnace she entered into the experience of entire sanctification. In her closing months of life, faith in God and resignation to His will had a beautiful and impressive illustration.

S. A. OLIVER.

John W. Bennett was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in October, 1855. He came to America in 1879. Until 1881 he was engaged in contracting as a stone mason in Salt Lake City, Utah, when he entered the employ of the American Bible Society. Two years later he became a minister of the gospel, laboring under T. C. Iliff, superintendent of the Utah Mission. In 1884 he came to Montana and began that useful, matchless career with which we are all so familiar. Bishop Fowler ordained him deacon that year appointing him to the Walkerville charge. In 1886 he was admitted into full connection in the ministry by Bishop Harris. He joined the newly organized Montana Conference in 1887, as a charter member and was appointed by Bishop Foster to Philbrook circuit in Fergus county. He was reappointed to this charge three successive years. In the fall of 1890 he was transferred to Bozeman, where he continued until 1893, when Bishop Fowler appointed him to First Church, Great Falls. Such large audiences waited upon his ministry that the church would not accommodate them. Although the financial panic was in full swing, and against the advice of his church officials, he materially enlarged the church, raising the funds himself, and paid every dollar of cost. In 1894 he was made presiding elder of the Bozeman district and for six years every interest of that great district prospered under his careful supervision.

In 1900 he was urged by Bishop Fowler to take hold of the Missoula problem. The church at that place had been entirely swamped with debt and the property deeded to the Board of Church Extension. Another charge was desirous of sceuring his services, but, as was always characteristic of Brother Bennett, he decided to take the hardest field. He believed the church at Missoula could be

saved. At the end of six years heroic trial the property had been redeemed, a splendid new modern parsonage built, and the church edifice enlarged three times to accommodate the rapidly growing Sunday school and increasing congregations. All the cost was paid save $200. The cash salary was increased from $850 to $1500. The membership from 125 to 297, including probationers. The Epworth League had become the largest and most aggressive in the state. The Sunday school had grown from 161 to 301. In 1906 he was appointed to Bozeman for the second time. Here he grappled with a debt of $3,100, and enlarged the parsonage. In 1908 he was appointed to Anaconda, where he found a debt of $3,500, which was speedily eliminated, the parsonage renovated and all the property placed in prime condition. The Missoula people were in great need of a new church which fact was recognized when he left there four years previous. After the most careful consideration by the very able board of trustees, it was decided to ask Bishop McIntyre to appoint Brother Bennett to Missoula again, believing him to be the only man available who could successfully accomplish the great enterprise. Although Anaconda was anxious to retain his services and he was getting a larger salary there than Missoula was paying, yet he did not flinch in facing the greater task, believing the hand of the Lord was in it. After three years of unremitting toil, made doubly hard by a few who should have assisted him in bearing the great burdens of his position, at his untimely decease a magnificent church building had been completed and dedicated. It cost in round numbers $53,000 (including interest charges), and there remains only about $4,000 unpaid.

While it would seem from the above that Brother Bennett's forte was along material lines, more especially, it was not so. The salvation of souls was always first with him and the material secondary. The past three years at Missoula saw him receive into the church 170 members. He was unusually successful as a soul-winner.

Large audiences waited upon his ministry. Brother Bennett was a remarkable man in almost every way one might take him

He had the courage of his convictions. He had zeal "according to knowledge." He was tactful and discreet. He was unselfish to the last degree. He was extremely conscientious. A more tender and sympathetic heart is rarely found. No needy person sought help at his hands in vain. He was a man of deep piety. He "walked and talked with God." He was an ideal pastor; indefatigable in his work. A splendid Sunday school organizer.

The church of God has been deprived of the effective labors of our brother, who never knew what it was to fail even though it cost him his life to succeed. A family has been bereft of a loving husband and father. The cause of civic righteousness has lost a brave leader whose place it will be hard to fill. We shall never look upon his like again.

Death came Sept. 1, after a month of severe nervous breakdown. Funeral services took place at the First Church, Missoula, September 3. A great concourse of people was present, including many from other churches and from no church, and former parishioners from Anaconda and Bozeman. There were nearly three score floral offerings from individuals and organizations. The church choir and male quartette rendered appropriate music. District Superintendent Edward Laird Mills presided and the following members of the Montana conference participated: Charles D. Crouch, George D. Wolfe, Thomas Hardie, John A. Meeke, Jacob Mills, Henry A. James and Edward Smith. The principal addresses were delivered by the Rev. Dr. J. N. Maclean, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, a close personal friend of the deceased, and by the Rev. Bishop Naphtali Luccock, who came all the way from Salt Lake City to pay a tribute to the departed.

The remains were laid to rest in the Missoula cemetery with those of three children gone before: Douglas, Sarah, George. There remain to mourn the loss of husband and father Mrs. J. W. Bennett, Mrs. Dan R. Fisher, Mrs. Newell Gough, William Irvine, Barbara and Annie.

In the words of Brother Bennett's favorite song:

"Here we've no abiding city,
Mansions here will soon decay;
But that city God's built firmly,
It can never pass away.

"I have loved ones in that city,
Those who left me years ago;
They with joy are waiting for me,
Where no farewell tears e'erflow."

JACOB MILLS.

VI. GOVERNING LAWS.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF MONTANA.

EXHIBIT "A."

"Resolved, that the Trustees of this Conference, to-wit: L. H. Mickel, S. A. Olivtr and Jacob Mills, be and are hereby authorized to incorporate this conference, and for that purpose to file with the proper officer articles of incorporation, as required by law."

We, the President and Secretary of the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana, at a regular meeting thereof, held in the City of Helena, Montana, on the twenty-sixth of August, 1910, and we do further certify that said resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the members of said conference then present.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands, this twenty-sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ten.

ROBERT McINTYRE, Pres.

Attest: GEO. D. KING, Secretary.

State of Montana, } ss.
County of Lewis and Clark. }

We, L. H. Mickel, S. A. Oliver and Jacob Mills, trustees of the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana, do by these presents, pursuant to and in conformity with the laws of the State of Montana, and pursuant to, and as authorized by a resolution, duly passed and adopted by said conference, a certified copy of which resolution is hereto attached marked "Exhibit A," and hereby referred to as and made a part thereof, and for the purpose of incorporating said Conference, agree upon and adopt the following:

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

First: The name of said corporation is hereby declared to be, THE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF MONTANA.

Second: The purposes for which said corporation is organized are to supervise, superintend and promote the organization, co-operation, activities, maintenance and work of local churches and organizations of the Methodist Episcopal Church within the boundaries and jurisdiction of said Conference as now established, and as the same may from time to time be established, changed, modified and maintained; to maintain, carry on and conduct the preaching and dissemination of the

Gospel of Jesus Christ within the boundaries and jurisdiction of said Conference, and throughout the world, and to that end co-operate with other conferences, associations and institutions; to establish, erect, maintain, carry on and conduct and aid in establishing, erecting, maintaining, carrying on and conducting schools, colleges, universities, hospitals and other eleemosynary, benevolent, charitable and religious institutions and enterprises; to receive devises, bequests, legacies, donations and funds and accept and discharge trusts and agencies for or on behalf of, or in aid of, any and all such or similar instituions, enterprises and causes, and generally to do and perform any and all things that may be convenient or proper in promoting, maintaining and furthering all benevolent, charitable and religious works, enterprises and measures authorized or that may be authorized by the general or local laws, rules and regulations of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and to purchase or otherwise acquire, and to sell, or otherwise dispose of, and encumber such property, real, personal and mixed, as may from time to time, be necessary, proper or convenient for the purposes or any of the purposes aforesaid.

Third: The number of trustees of said corporation for the first year of the corporate existence of such corporation is three.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands the twenty-sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ten.

L. H. MICKEL,
S. A. OLIVER,
JACOB MILLS.

State of Montana, } ss.
County of Lewis and Clark. }

On this twenty-sixth day of August, in the year nineteen hundred and ten, before me, Massena Bullard, a Notary Public for the State of Montana, personally appeared L. H. Mickel, S. A. Oliver and Jacob Mills, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Notarial Seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

MASSENA BULLARD,
Notary Public for the State of Montana, residing at Helena, Montana. My commission expires January 23, 1912.

BY-LAWS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF MONTANA.

ARTICLE I.

Board of Trustees.—The Board of Trustees, after the first year, shall number not less than three nor more than seven, all of whom shall reside within the bounds of the said conference and shall be over twenty-one years of age, a majority of whom shall be members of the said conference; the minority shall be lay members of the said church; all of whom shall be chosen by the annual conference of the said

church. The financial and secular business of the corporation shall be under their management.

ARTICLE II.

Officers of the Board of Trustees.—The officers of the Board of Trustees shall consist of a President, Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected annually by ballot at the first meeting of the Board of Trustees after election of members by the annual conference and whose term of office will terminate at the election and qualification of their successors.

ARTICLE III.

Duties of Officers.—Sec. 1. It shall be the duty of the president to preside when present at all meetings of the Board of Trustees, appoint committees, call special meetings of the Board of Trustees as occasion may require, sign orders on the treasurer for the payment of money and during the interim between meetings have general supervision of the affairs of the Board of Trustees, and to execute all legal papers on behalf of the corporation as provided by law.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Vice-President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Board of Trustees in the absence of the president and perform all other duties of the President in his absence.

Sc. 3. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep a correct journal of the proceedings of all meetings of the Board of Trustees in a record book provided for that purpose and to take charge of and preserve all papers and documents belonging to his office, and to attest all legal papers of the Corporation. He shall deliver to his legal successor or to the Board of Trustees when requested, all books and papers in his possession belonging to said board.

Sec. 4. The duties of the Treasurer shall be to receive and take charge of, under the direction of the Board of Trustees, all monies received by the Corporation and to pay out the same on the order of the president. He shall also keep an account of all monies received by him, showing from what source received, and of all monies paid out by him and render a full report of the transactions of the financial condition of his office to the Board of Trustees at its annual meeting, and at such other times as he may be directed by said board. He shall furnish, if required, by the Board of Trustees, before receiving any of the funds of the Conference, a fidelity bond in such amount as the Board of Trustees may direct from time to time, to cover the faithful performance of his duties. These bonds shall be made payable to the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Montana, and shall be executed by some responsible bonding company approved by the Board of Trustees, and the cost of said bonds shall be paid by this Corporation. All monies received by the Treasurer shall be deposited forthwith by him in some bank or other instiution of deposit, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees and he shall furnish a certified duplicate certificate of deposit to the chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees for each deposit as soon as made.

RULES OF THE MONTANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

THE DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT.

1. The President shall see that all business pertaining to the Conference shall be brought forward and conducted in a proper manner, according to the provisions of the Discipline and Rules of the Conference.

2. He shall preserve order in all proceedings; and in debates shall keep the speakers to the question, and call them to order when they wander from the point, or from rules of order, or use any improper language.

3. He shall appoint all committees unless otherwise decided by the Conference, in which case the appointment shall be made by ballot or nomination, at the discretion of the Conference, no member thereof being permitted to nominate more than one person for the same committee.

4. When two or more members shall arise and address the Presidnet at the same time, he shall decide which of them is entitled to the floor.

THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

1. The Secretary shall record all answers to questions of law; also rulings made by the President in the transaction of the business of the Conference, and keep a fair and correct record of its proceedings to be read at the commencement of each session thereafter subject to the correction of the Conference.

2. He shall carefully preserve the journals and papers of the Conference placed in custody, and shall not permit any person but a member to examine the same, nor shall he allow a member to make a transcript from either without the permission of the Conference, and he shall also produce the journal and papers at the next annual session of the Conference.

3. He shall also, after the close of the Conference, make an appendix at the end of the journal in which he shall record all documents which shall be ordered by the Conference to be so recorded (the motion on which shall be taken without debate), and documents so recorded shall be referred to on the journal of the Conference.

THE DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS.

1. Every member who would speak should rise in his place and respectfully address the President, refraining from all personalities and indecorous language; but no member shall speak more than once on the same question (except to explain) until every member choosing shall have spoken; nor longer than fifteen minutes, without permission of the Conference.

2. When a member shall be called to order by the President or any member he shall take his seat until the question be decided by the president; nevertheless, he shall be allowd an appeal to the Conference, which shall decide without debate.

3. Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be granted when, in the judgment of the president, the sense

will admit of it; and every member present shall vote on all questions unless excused by the Conference.

QUESTIONS TO BE TAKEN WITHOUT DEBATE.

A motion simply to adjourn. Motion to lie on the table.

STANDING RULES.

1. Applicants for admission on trial shall not be over 35 years of age.

2. In view of the increasing number of claimants on our superannuate fund, the District Superintendents shall not encourage the transfer, and the Bishops are respectfully requested not to transfer any men to this conference who are not in sound health and who are over forty years of age.

3. After September 1, 1912, candidates for admission on trial, into full connection and for election to elders orders must bring up all books to be read and **all** books to be studied **without condition.**

MISCELLANEOUS RULES.

SECTION 1.

1. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

2. When a question has been decided, any member who may have voted in the majority on said question may move for a reconsideration thereof.

3. When the reading of a paper is called for, and the same is objected to by a member, the question shall be determined by a vote of the Conference.

4. A motion may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before decision thereon or amendment thereto.

5. It shall always be in order at any time during the discussion of a proposition before the Conference (except during the examination of character), to move that the question be put without debate, and, if the motion is sustained by two-thirds of the members present and voting, the debate shall at once cease, and the question shall be put.

6. No motion shall be entertained unless seconded, and all motions and resolutions shall be reduced to writing, if desired by the president or secretary, or any member of the Conference.

7. No matter of business, other than that which pertains to the ordinary business of the Conference, shall be read by the secretray, until the subject of it is stated by the introducer.

8. When the report of the committee is under consideration, the chairman or a member of the committee selected by the committee or its chairman, shall b entitled to close the debate, and the representative of the committee shall not be deprived of his rights to close the debate even by the ordering of a previous question. If the motion to lay on the table the report, or any part of it, be made, the representative of the committee may elect to speak before that motion is put, or to reserve his right and speak on the final question.

9. The yeas and nays shall be called and recorded on any question on the demand of fifteen members.

10. On the first day of the session, at 2 o'clock, the list of appointments shall be called, and the preachers in charge requested to report collections to treasurer, and statistical reports to statistical secretary.

11. When the call of districts for the passage of character is begun, it shall not be in order to interrupt the call for the transaction of other Conference business until all the districts are completed.

SECTION 2.

1. In all other preliminary matters not specified in the above rules the Conference shall be governed by the well settled principls of common parliamentary law and rules of the General Conference, so far as they will apply to this body.

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VII. Laymen Association.

The association was called to order August 22, 1913, President Albert May in the chair. The devotional services were led by E. H. Fisher. Introductory address by the president. Address by Dr. Jacob Mills on the subject of standing by the pastor and encouraging him by prompt financial support and the vital necessity of prayer and personal work. Address by C. W. Tenney on loyalty to church and pastor and courage to live and to stand by our convictions of right.

Address by the Bishop in which he gave some thoughts on the layman's responsibility as being, 'put in trust with the Gospel' and that God will in his way and time use the consecrated lives of laymen who keep on the Heavenward side of circumstances.

Officers nominated and elected for the coming year: President E. H. Fisher, Vice-President J. C. Borgers, Secretary W. H. Shipley.

The program for the coming year was put in the hands of the executive committee. Motion to adjourn was made and carried.

Delegates Present—Mrs. John W. James, Anaconda; Mrs. Thos. Huffman, Red Lodge; J. E. Farnum, Miles City; Mrs. J. E. Reed, Bloomfield; Mrs. S. Lawson, Townsend; J. L. Guiler, Laurel; O. M. Warfield, Laurel; W. H. Shipley, Plains; Mrs. Martha Ridgeway, Townsend; T. M. Crittenden, Bozeman; E. H. Fisher, Bozeman; D. I. Brenneman, Bozeman; S. A. Shearwood, Oakes St., Helena; J. A. Doughty, St. Paul's, Helena; Mrs. Chas B. Young, Glendive; Mrs. E. D. Swisher, Meadow Creek; Mrs. J. A. Harding, Phillipsburg; Albert May, Stevensville; F. M. Griffis, Waterloo, Montana; J. H. Strain, Anaconda; Hugh H. Moore, Stevensville; John M. Moffatt, Stevensville; W. M. Loring, Grace, Butte; Thos. Loughbridge; J. B. Shay, Park City; E. E. Peck, Park City; Mrs. John M. Whiteley, Huntley; Mrs. Wm. Davis, Bozeman.

(Signed) E. E. Peck, Temporary Chairman.

Resolution—We your special committee appointed to make recommendation to the Laymen's Association on certain matters on which we think emphasis should be laid during the coming year beg leave to report as follows:

First—We believe that temperance is a most important issue before the people of this state as well as of the nation and that the heartiest co-operation of the membership be given to all proper agencies designed to promote the cause of temperance and civic righteousness in their respective communities and the state at large.

Second—We commend the plan outlined by the general conference commission on finance and urge the use of the duplex system of raising ministerial support, current expenses and benevolent collections, and that the matter of raising such support be presented at the beginning of the year. That a thorough canvass of the entire membership be made with a view to getting all to contribute according to the measure of their ability.

Third—That we earnestly urge our people to subscribe for one or more of our church papers, believing that they are necessary to keep the membership in touch with the progress of the church and to promote spiritual growth.

Fourth—We heartily endorse the efforts being made by the Montana Conference to raise a sufficient endowment to support the Montana Wesleyan University and urge the members of the various congregations to do their utmost to promote the success of the campaign this conference year.

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